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WHITEAWAY'S

MASS INFANTRY SLASHES AT
NARROW NAZI BOTTLE-NECK AS—

Battle of the 'bulge' intensifies

By MILES HANDLER
(UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, May 24, (8 p.m.)—A high military source here has denied the German claim to the capture of Calais and Boulogne.

He said the situation at Calais is favourable and that the Germans have not entered the city. The Allied forces inside Boulogne are still holding out and the combats are still limited to the outskirts.

To-night's official French communique said the French have launched a successful counter-attack south of Sedan.

25-MILE BOTTLENECK

Massed French infantry slashed at both sides of the 25-mile bottleneck north of the Somme, through which the German troops are pouring towards the Channel.

The battle rages hottest at Amiens and along the Scheldt River on the north side where the French claimed to "have begun their advance."

IF THE BOTTLENECK IS CLOSED THE GERMAN ADVANCE TROOPS IN BOULOGNE AND CALAIS WILL BE ANNIHILATED, THE COMMUNIQUE CLAIMS.

A military source said very heavy fighting continued all day in the Valenciennes and Cambrai sector, where strong attacks and bitter counter-attacks alternated.

NAZIS ISOLATED

NEW YORK, May 24 (Reuter).—Five thousand German troops belonging to mechanised units are reported to be isolated in Amiens, according to a broadcast by the National Broadcasting Company's Paris representative.

ITALIAN SITUATION

OMINOUS ORDERS

Italian Shipping To Remain In Port

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, May 24 (UP).—Diplomatic circles in London are taking an increasingly serious view regarding the possibility of Italy entering the war.

The despatch of Sir Samuel Hoare as Ambassador to Madrid is believed to be designed to check any similar trend in Spain.

Private advices received in New York state that Mr. Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, has exchanged messages with Signor Mussolini in an attempt to clarify Italy's attitude.

A message from Rome states that the Italian line confirms that the luxury liner Rex, which was scheduled to leave for New York on May 29, has postponed the date of her departure until June 12.

The Conte Savoia, which was scheduled to leave for New York on June 12, has postponed the date of departure until June 23.

The sailing of the Augustus for New York has been postponed indefinitely.

The Neptunia, which was scheduled to leave for Central American ports on May 24, will not now leave until June 21.

Italy Celebrates An Anniversary
ROME, May 24 (Reuter).—Italy's celebrations of the anniversary of her entrance into the Great War passed off soberly.

There were no boisterous demonstrations in the streets of the city. "It might have been called rather 'Anti-Italy Day' than 'Pro-German Day'."

All the newspapers avoided re-

His Majesty's Stirring Broadcast To The Empire

"ISSUE OF LIFE & DEATH FOR US ALL"—THE KING

LONDON, MAY 24 (REUTER).—HIS MAJESTY THE KING BROADCAST AN EMPIRE DAY MESSAGE TO THE NATION TO-NIGHT. "A YEAR AGO," HE SAID, "I SPOKE TO THE PEOPLES OF THE EMPIRE FROM WINNIPEG IN THE HEART OF CANADA. "WE WERE AT PEACE"

"We were at peace. "On that Empire Day, I spoke of the ideals of freedom, justice and peace upon which our Commonwealth of free peoples is founded.

"Clouds were gathering, but I held fast to the hope that those ideals might yet achieve a fuller and richer development without suffering the grievous onslaught of war.

HITLER STAKES ALL

Win Or Lose War In One Battle

BERNE, May 24 (Reuter).—German official circles openly admit that the Reich is now playing all its trump cards on the Western Front, according to neutral correspondents in Berlin.

It is stated that the Germans realise that the result of the war will probably depend on the issue of the present operations. Consequently, they are throwing into the battle all their reserves of mechanised material.

Operations in northern France and Belgium are believed to comprise the first part of Hitler's plan.

The German troops, however, are meeting a resistance with which they do not appear to have reckoned.

The second phase of the plan would be a direct attack against Britain.

Trade Talks With Soviet

New Possibility Envisaged

LONDON, May 24 (Reuter).—The statement in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, that the Government is taking immediate steps to improve relations with the Soviet Union seems to indicate, says "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent, that the latest Soviet communication is regarded as opening the door towards the possibility of trade talks.

The correspondent says that in these circumstances there is reason to believe that subject to the agreement of the Soviet Government, the British Government may send Sir Stafford Cripps to Moscow on an exploratory mission to ascertain what terms are available for trade negotiations.

Most Planes Obsolete

U.S. Senate Committee Hears Disclosures

WASHINGTON, May 24 (Reuter).—Declaring that the "people ought to face facts," the Senate Naval Committee declined to suppress testimony by Rear Admiral J. H. Towers, Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics.

Admiral Towers testified that of the Navy's 1,307 combat planes, only 192 were less than a year old. The others ranged up to seven years old. Senator Byrd said that on the strength of this testimony, he estimated that only about 600 of the Navy's machines could meet modern European planes in equal combat.

LONDON, May 24 (Reuter).—Mr. Ivan Malyk, the Soviet Ambassador in London, called at the Foreign Office to-night.

"But it was not to be. "The evil which we strove unceasingly and with all honesty of purpose to avert, fell upon us.

OUR CONSCIENCE IS CLEAR

"In this our conscience is clear.

"For there is now revealed without possibility of mistake a long planned scheme to subjugate by force the nations of the world against which all our efforts for peace were doomed to break.

"A decisive struggle is now upon us.

PLAIN SPEAKING

"I am going to speak plainly to you in this hour of trial.

"I know you would not have me do otherwise.

"Let no one be mistaken: it is no mere territorial conquest our enemies are seeking.

"It is the overthrow, complete and final, of this Empire and of everything for which it stands, and after that the conquest of the world.

"And if their will prevails they will bring to its accomplishment all the hatred and cruelty which they already display.

LIFE OR DEATH ISSUE

"It is not easy for us as to believe that designs so evil could find a place in the human mind.

"But the time for doubt is long past.

"To all of us in this Empire, to all men with vision and goodwill throughout the world, the issue is now plain.

"It is an issue of life or death for us all.

"Defeat will not mean some brief eclipse from which we shall emerge with strength renewed—it will mean the destruction of our world as we have known it and a descent into darkness upon its ruins.

"I speak to you to-day with new visions of this Empire before my eyes.

"That it has come into conflict and sharp comparison with the evil system which is attempting its destruction its full significance appears in a brighter and more certain light.

"There is a word which our enemies used against us—Imperialism. "By that they mean a spirit of domination, and lust for conquest.

Cast The Word Back

"We are free peoples of the Empire. Cast that word back in their teeth.

"It is they who have these evil aspirations.

"Our one object has always been peace: peace in which our institutions may be developed; the condition of our peoples improved; and the problems of Government solved in a spirit of goodwill.

"This is the peace which they have taken from us and which are seeking to destroy all that we have striven to maintain.

"Against our honesty is dishonesty; against our faithfulness is set treachery; against our justice is brute force.

"There is clear and unmistakable opposition, the forces that now confront one another.

"The uprising of peoples through-

Hell Is Let Loose From The Air

R.A.F. CARRY OUT MERCILESS RAIDS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 24 (UP).—The Royal Air Force continued their unrelenting attacks against German columns on the Western Front to-day.

Nazi concentrations in the Arras and Boulogne districts were mercilessly bombed, says an Air Ministry communique.

Last night R.A.F. units made strong sorties on the enemy's lines of communication in north-east France, southern Belgium and the Rhineland.

Hits were registered on the railway junctions at La Chapelle, Beaumont and Gamboux. Rolling stock and transport columns were set afire, and many explosions occurred.

Other bombers attacked Charleroi where they scored direct hits.

Nazi Planes Routed

LONDON, May 24 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announced that while on patrol over the French coast this afternoon, 11 of our fighters encountered a much larger enemy force.

Without loss to themselves, they attacked and shot down 11 Messerschmitts and seriously damaged three others.

Eleven British planes over the French coast this afternoon brought down eleven Messerschmitts and seriously damaged three more, stated the Air Ministry communique.

WHY THEY WILL LOSE

S. African Premier On Psychological Defects

JOHANNESBURG, May 24 (Reuter).—General Jan Smuts, the South African Premier, speaking at a civic banquet in honour of his 70th birthday, uttered a warning that the Government would deal with "Fifth Columnists."

General Smuts also referred to South Africa's fine response to the call for volunteers. He declared that the world would be much poorer at the end of the war and there probably would be unprecedented impoverishment after the most colossal destruction in history.

Psychological Defects

The Germans lost the last war despite their matchless military machine because of psychological defects which remain unchanged and which will once more defeat Germany.

Nazi fanaticism may call forth a no less fierce and determined fanaticism on the other side, and to the moral factor will be added the religious factor.

South Africa will be in the struggle to the full and to the end, said General Smuts.

Lord Austin Resigns Chairmanship

LONDON, May 24 (Reuter).—The Ministry of Aircraft Production announced that Lord Austin has retired from the chairmanship of the shadow Aero-Engine Committee, which he has held since the Committee's inception over four years ago.

Mr. W. E. Rookes succeeds Lord Austin.

Lord Austin has been largely responsible for co-ordinating the work of six shadow factories.

LATEST H.K. TRADE BOOM CONTINUES

The Colony's trade continues to boom.

Official figures released this morning show that during April the combined values of imports and exports of merchandise totalled \$131,200,000 (\$8,100,000) compared with \$100,000,000 (\$6,500,000) in April, 1939.

Thus, in terms of local currency the total visible trade of the Colony increased by 23.1 per cent. during April of this year as compared with a year ago. In terms of sterling the increase was 24.6 per cent.

Imports of merchandise during last April amounted to \$72,100,000 (\$4,500,000) as compared with \$57,000,000 (\$3,800,000) in 1939, while exports totalled \$59,000,000 (\$3,000,000) as compared with \$43,000,000 (\$2,700,000) a year ago.

The increase in merchandise imports was 26.3 per cent. in terms of the Hongkong dollar and of 28.6 per cent. in terms of sterling.

Exports during last month increased by 16 per cent. and 20 per cent. respectively.

Remarkable Figures

The first four months of 1940 provide remarkable trade figures. The total volume of imports were valued at \$270,400,000 (\$16,700,000) as compared with \$210,000,000 (\$13,200,000) in the same period of 1939.

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MAGAZINE PAGE

ENTERTAINMENTS

PINOCCHIO

Walt Disney gives us a Treat

Film: "PINOCCHIO."

Verdict: A sheer delight.

Star: Walt Disney.

PINOCCHIO is a riot of imagination and a feast of delight. Pinocchio is so good that perhaps one may criticise it.

Like everything else, Walt Disney changes. Once he was concerned with beauty, a queer ethereal delicacy that came strangely in a cartoon. There are none of the weird "Arthur Rockham effects of 'The Old Mill'" in "Pinocchio." There are no graceful little gazelles and bunny-rabbits and twittering birds and soft countryside of an artist's make-belief.

Instead, there is eccentricity and whimsical vulgarity and absurdity and sensationalism.

Walt Disney is perfectly entitled to give us these things if he prefers them. He puts the touch of genius on everything he does.

The old man who makes clocks is human. The little cricket, the charming little person, Pinocchio, the marionette, is an ordinary little boy. The interior of the body of the whale is biblical in its imaginativeness.

The story of it, like much of Mr. Disney's work, based on an old fairy tale, tells of the little wooden puppet who became alive in answer to his maker's longing for a son.

He was given a conscience in the person of Mr. Cricket, and the Good Fairy promised that if he showed himself brave and good he would become a real boy instead of a wooden little boy.

His conscience rescued him from the stage, and from a sort of Coney Island where good little boys were lured only to be sent into donkeys, and finally escorted him to the bottom of the sea, where he rescues the old craftsman—and his goldfish and his cat—from the tummy of the whale.

I'm glad he saved the cat. The cat is quite the nicest little person Walt Disney has given us, and the drawing of his movements when he hangs from the open window and scrambles back on to the window sill is the most life-like and delicious thing in the whole delicious picture.

STAMP NOTES

Salvador has honoured Sir Rowland Hill and the centenary of the postage stamp with a set of three stamps. The design, common to all three stamps, shows a picture of Sir Rowland Hill at the left, with a seahorse to the right. At the upper right hand is the coat-of-arms of Salvador, and in the center top the inscription, "Primer Centenario de la Invencción del Sello Postal 1840-1940."

Directly imposed on the figure of Sir Rowland Hill is the inscription, "Sir Rowland Hill, Inventor del Sello Postal." The values and colours of the stamps include the 8 centavos blue and black for ordinary postal use, and the 30c. light brown and black, and the 80c. brown-red and black, for airmail use. The stamps were printed by Wright Bank Note Company of Philadelphia, Penna.

Recent New Issues

Argentina—A 10c. stamp has been issued in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Pan American Union. The design is reported to be allegorical and the colour blue.

Belgium—A special stamp bearing the portrait of the young Prince of Liege was sold in aid of the Queen Elizabeth Charities, and a second stamp was used on parcels sent to mobilised soldiers. These stamps were released just before Germany invaded Belgium, so may become rarities.

United States

During March and April several more of the famous American series were released, as follows:

- First Day Sales
- 40 Purple—Gustav W. Eliot, Cambridge, Mass., March 22.
 - 50 Blue—Frances E. Willard, Evanston, Ill., March 22.
 - 100 Brown—Booker T. Washington, Tuskegee Institute, Ala., April 7.
 - Scientists
 - 10 Green—John James Audubon, Francisville, La., April 8.
 - 20 Red—Dr. Crawford W. Long, Jefferson, Ga., April 8.
 - 3c Purple—Luther Burbank, Santa Rosa, Calif., April 17.
 - 50 Blue—Dr. Walter Reed, Washington, D. C., April 17.
 - 100 Brown—Jane Addams, Chicago, Ill., April 24.

I think Mr. Disney must have been going to the films.

I recognised the German clock-maker, the "Dead End Kids," the good fairy, the cunning fox, from my ordinary rounds.

Stay away from the films, Mr. Disney, but thanks all the same.

FILM: "Another Thin Man." STARS: William Powell, Myrna Loy.

VERDICT: How to be happy though married.

OF course, you can simply say "I like William Powell and Myrna Loy in those 'Thin Man' comedies. I'm going to see the film."

Which relieves you of the duty of going any further with this. But if you have just that minute to spare, pause and consider this film as a perfect springboard to take off on an argument which remains for all the fuss that's going on on the Continent, the big crisis of our age—CAR VERSUS BABY.

Candidly, do you think that Mr. and Mrs. Nick Charles, in their career of crime and vice-cracking, dogs and drink, have had time to stop and have a baby? I do not. I think Mrs. Charles, the woman who made marriage manageable for us all by that first, never to be forgotten, "Thin Man" comedy, is carrying the plump brat for a friend. She seems devoted to it, but I get the impression she can never remember where she put it down.

And, anyway, I object to William Powell and Myrna Loy having babies all over the screen. The way I liked them, they had made a bliss of wedlock by sidestepping all responsibilities. But there the baby is, and I must say he is a fine specimen of sangroid and boredom. He yawns at pistol shots. And he is not allowed to interfere with the plot, which contains two killings, three bottles of whiskey and seven clear clues which I rejected instantly. Mr. Powell takes no notice of the brat at all. When he isn't drinking, he hugs a giant panda toy, which looks rather like him.

This third one is as good as the others and it's better than most comedy thrillers.

It is two and a half years since we saw William Powell, but it seems like yesterday.

WHAT'S ON

TO-DAY
QUEEN'S AND ALHAMBRA:
"Another Thin Man"
MAJESTIC: "Tower of London"
KINGS: "Under Pup"
ORIENTAL: "Gold Diggers of 1933"

TO-MORROW
ORIENTAL: "Captain Fury"
KINGS: "Hotel For Women"
MAJESTIC: "The Old Maid"
QUEEN'S AND ALHAMBRA:
"Another Thin Man"

FILM: "Captain Fury." STARS: Brian Aherne, Victor McLaglen.

VERDICT: Roystering.

AUSTRALIA in the days when it was a convenient place for the reception of British convicts is the background for this film.

This is a roystering tale, full of the simple entertainment virtues—the excitement of hard riding and fierce fighting, and the laughter of seeing a deep-dyed villain sent sprawling in the mud.

It is about an Irishman who arrives as one of a band of convicts and is sent to work with a wealthy landowner. The landowner is a poisonous creature with a lust for cruelty towards both settlers and convicts. In the Irish convict they find their Robin Hood, ready to lead them in a swift campaign against oppression.

Brian Aherne, tall, handsome, and amiable, makes a very personable Robin Hood, and he makes a very pretty job of the flowery dialogue with which the part, in keeping with its Irish origin, has been decorated. Every bit as entertaining is Victor McLaglen, selling men with great zeal and displaying a sense of comedy which is neat in comparison with his mountainous appearance.

George Zucco plays the landowner, jolly cruel, and June Lang the heroine.

FILM: "Hotel For Women."

STARS: Linda Darnell, Ann Sothern, Elsa Maxwell.

VERDICT: Beauty, brains, Petty girls.

THE Sherington, in New York, was an hotel especially for women.

The seventeen floors are packed with lovely girls who come to New York, have three rousing years as mannequins and photographic models, and if they haven't got their rich guy by that time—well, back they go!

The only girl who doesn't enter into the gold-digging game is that amazing old New York celebrity, Elsa Maxwell, who has a head full of wisdom, wrote the whole show and acts in it.

Linda Darnell, who turns up from a place called Syracuse to marry her man, finds the feeling is only half mutual, and falls into the photographic modelling game simply because she happens to be the most beautiful thing within three thousand miles.

This is a thoroughly bright picture.

FILM: "Tower of London." STARS: Basil Rathbone, Boris Karloff.

VERDICT: Plots aplenty.

THIS is a historical drama laid in the period between 1471 and 1485 when the Duke of Gloucester plotted to achieve the throne of England. Creditable period atmosphere and Court settings provide a background for the sparsely staged succession of plottings and intrigues, the highlights of which are the murders of the Prince of Wales, King Henry VI, Duke of Clarence and Princes Edward and Richard in the Tower of London.

DID YOU WONDER?

Why Iron Gets Red When It Is Heated?

All substances, whether solid, liquid, or gaseous, are considered to be made up of a large number of minute particles known as molecules. A molecule is the smallest particle that can have all the properties of the substance of which it is a part.

The molecules of all substances are constantly in motion. If they ever stopped moving, the temperature of the substance would then be absolute zero (273° Centigrade below zero). The temperature of a substance depends on the motion of its molecules. The more rapid and violent the motion, the higher the temperature. Also, when any two substances of different temperatures, which do not act chemically on each other, are brought together, the hotter one will lose heat to the cooler one until both are the same temperature.

When a rod of iron is held over a flame, heat from the flame begins to raise the temperature of the bar by increasing the speed of motion of the molecules of iron. The movement of the molecule, gives rise to waves of thermal radiation, much as the vibrating sides of a bell give rise to sound waves.

When the bar is merely warm, the thermal radiations sent out produce a sensation of heat when they strike a body which absorbs them. They do not produce a sensation of light, because the waves are longer than those of red light, the longest waves of visible light.

However, as the bar gets hotter, the motion of the molecules becomes more rapid and the thermal radiations are of shorter wavelength. When the wavelength of the thermal radiations becomes as short as the wavelength of red light, the iron begins to glow a dull red, because the movement of the heated molecules of iron sends forth radiation which produces a sensation of light as well as a sensation of heat.

The hotter the iron becomes, the more brightly it will glow. This glowing of light by substances at high temperatures is the basis for the use of glowing hot filaments of wire in the familiar electric light bulbs.

INANITY FARE



Dorothy Sayers Can build a mare's nest.

NAZIS ACCUSE AMERICA OF STARTING THE WAR

A WHITE BOOK was issued in Berlin on March 23, to show that America—and particularly President Roosevelt—played a large part in bringing about the war.

The White Book consists of documents which, the Nazis allege, were found in Warsaw, in the archives of the Polish Foreign Office. Every attempt was made in Berlin, when the book was issued, to focus American attention on it. American journalists in the capital were summoned to the Wilhelmstrasse to receive news of "exceptional importance."

The documents purport to be, in the main, confidential reports by the Polish Ambassadors in Washington, London and Paris, and the Polish Minister in Stockholm. With the documents are what are claimed to be photostats (photographic reproductions) of the original documents.

With Great Vehemence

One of the documents is said to be a report sent to Warsaw by the Polish Ambassador in Washington, Count Jerzy Potocki. The report concerns a conversation which the Count had with Mr. William C. Bullitt, American Ambassador to France, in November, 1933.

The "document" states: "He expressed himself regarding Germany and Hitler with the greatest vehemence and strong hatred. He mentioned that only force at the end of a war could halt Germany's mad expansion in future. Upon my question as to how he pictured the coming of war, Mr. Bullitt declared that above all the United States, France and England must arm themselves in order to show German power the fist."

In a later interview—in January, 1939—Mr. Bullitt is supposed to

Documents alleged by the Nazis to have been found in the Polish Foreign Office archives in Warsaw, and published in Berlin as a White Book, accuse America of having helped to bring about the war. Publication of the documents has aroused anger throughout the United States, where the allegations are dismissed as profitless propaganda.

London, Mr. Kennedy, who is reported as saying on June 16, 1939, that the Poles were the only people in Eastern Europe upon whose armaments and military worth one could count with absolute certainty, adding that "he would see the Prime Minister and Lord Halifax, and would insist on the necessity of helping Poland immediately with cash."

Another report by Count Potocki is alleged to assert that hatred in the United States of all forms of Fascism is growing, and is being incited by Jewish propaganda which controls the wireless, Press, films and magazines almost completely. Then it is said—

"President Roosevelt was the first to give expression to this hatred for Fascism. He thereby pursued a twofold object. First he wanted to distract the attention of the American public from difficult and complicated domestic problems, especially between capital and labour. Secondly, by conjuring up a war psychosis and conjuring up danger in Europe, he wanted to persuade the American people to accept America's enormous preparedness programme which goes beyond the needs of defence."

"Mr. Roosevelt soon succeeded in creating interest in his foreign policy. The way chosen was quite simple: on the one hand the danger of war hanging over the world on account of Chancellor Hitler had to be set in a scene cleverly

Another document in the White Book is alleged to be a report sent to Warsaw by Mr. Jan Wszelaki, described as Commercial Attaché at the Polish Embassy in London. This gives an alleged conversation with the American Ambassador in

on the other hand a ghost had to be invented which would jabber about an attack by totalitarian States on the United States. The Munich pact came in very handy for Mr. Roosevelt in that connection. He represented it as a capitulation by France and Great Britain to pugnacious German militarism.

Count Potocki is represented further as expressing the opinion that the Jews were using Mr. Roosevelt to bring about a world war.

"I Deny Emphatically"

"The statements alleged," said Mr. Hull, "have not at any time represented the thoughts or policy of the American Government. I may say most emphatically that neither I nor any of my associates in the Department of State have ever heard of such conversations as those alleged."

It now remains for the Nazis to prove that there is any truth at all in their extraordinary allegations. The general opinion in America is that the book is a weak attempt to discredit President Roosevelt, and at the same time to cause Americans to change their attitude towards the Allies—just to prove that there is no truth in the allegation that America is siding with the Allies.

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Sewing Hints

WHEN very fine material is stitched on the machine it has a tendency to pucker in places, thus spoiling the effect of the garment. To prevent this, place a piece of plain white paper under the material and stitch through the paper. Tear the paper away after the stitching is done.

When a new spool of cotton persists in breaking continually when threaded on the sewing machine remove the spool and place it in a small box under the usual place for it. Leave the machine threaded, and go on with the stitching allowing the spool to rattle and roll about in the box in use. After the first few layers of thread have been removed put the spool back to its usual place, and there will be no further trouble.

If you want to make a particularly good job of blanket stitching make dots with the ruler where each stitch is to be placed. Lay the ruler along the edge of the material, and, with a sharp pencil, make dots at each quarter of an inch, or at the desired spacing.

When crocheting an edge on linen or cotton material that is quite tightly woven, considerable difficulty is encountered in forcing the crochet hook through the material. With an unthreaded needle stitch along the edge of the material with the machine, making the stitch long. Fasten the crocheted edge through the holes the machine needle made. They will be regularly spaced, and will make the work neater as well as easier.

Juliet Sanford

Golden Honey CAKES

By Mrs. Bardell

DAINTY little cakes sweetened with honey instead of sugar. Beat up 2 eggs, then stir in 4oz. honey, warmed until it is runny. 3oz. self-raising flour and 3oz. ground rice, sieved together, and 2oz. currants.

Half-fill small greased but tin with the mixture and bake in a hot oven for 20 minutes. If liked, a blanched almond may be placed on top of each cake when it is half cooked.

Bread Pudding

A little honey and a few raisins or currants cheer up a bread pudding.

Ingredients: 1pt. milk, bread and butter, 2oz. currants, 1 egg, 1 tablespoonful honey. Grease a 1½-lb. loaf tin. Wash the fruit and place at the bottom. Cut the buttered bread into three-cornered pieces, and lay these on the fruit. Sprinkle with the rest of the fruit.

Beat the egg, add the warmed honey and milk, and pour this over the bread. Leave for an hour to soak, then bake in a cool oven for an hour.

Nutty Fingers

For tea-time, honey-nut fingers make a pleasant treat. Roll out some short crust pastry, cut it into strips 1½ in. wide by 1 in. long, then brush over with warmed honey and sprinkle thickly with chopped dates and nuts. Bake for 15-20 minutes in a hot oven.

Sick Room Rules

CAREFUL attention to certain rules of health is likely to keep serious illness from most homes, but epidemics, such as the present bronchial "flu," strike indiscriminately, and often only the very fit escape.

Also some unforeseen illness may occur in the best-cared-for family, and, although considerable hospital accommodation will still be at the disposal of doctors for surgical cases, there are likely to be fewer beds available for general medical cases.

In consequence it is essential that all mothers should have a good grasp of certain principles regarding the care of the sick child.

Doctor's Orders

If you think that a child in your care is "sickening for something," send for the doctor without delay and carry out every detail of the treatment that he prescribes.

Remember that doctor is likely to be a busy man and that he will expect you to use your good sense where the conduct of the sick-room is concerned. You may therefore find the following hints helpful.

The first concern isolation. It is always wise to keep the sick child apart from others, whether his complaint is infectious or not.

Therefore when planning your house-room try to arrange that one room can be quickly converted into a sick-room should the need arise.

I advise plain washable distemper

Chocolate Bread Pudding

HERE'S a delicious economical pudding made with crusts and odd scraps of bread. You need about 6oz. and the other ingredients are 1pt. milk and water (mixed), 2oz. sugar, 3oz. cocoa, ½ tsp. vanilla essence, 2oz. apricot jam.

Soak crusts in the milk and water for half an hour, then squeeze out, and pour the liquid into a saucepan.

Mash the bread and add to the milk with the cocoa and sugar. Bring to the boil, stirring all the time. Add the vanilla essence, mix well, and pour the mixture into a greased pie dish lined with three-quarters of the jam.

Cook in a moderate oven, Regulo oven mark 4, for 15 minutes, until set, with a crusty surface. Spread the rest of the jam on the top, and sprinkle with Cup Chocolate flakes, and finely sifted breadcrumbs.



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ISOLATION



A quiet room is essential, for sleep is a great healer.

poised walls, and no fussy ornaments, no pictures which may prove nightmarish to a feverish patient, and linoleum floor covering with quickly shaken mats which will deaden sound, instead of a carpet. A fairly high single bed will save you much stirring.

Be very strict regarding the "No visitors" rule until convalescence is well on the way; unless the little invalid pines for one particular person, when his longing should be satisfied. Hand-in-hand with isolation goes a quiet, peaceful sick-room. Small people are naturally peevish and irritable when sick; they feel miserable, but, being unable to describe their symptoms precisely, it is often difficult to relieve their pain.

Sleep is, therefore, particularly needful so that noise must be reduced to the minimum. Other children should be sent to play with friends if possible; a temporary home should be found for the pet dog if he barks at every knock. A sponge over in tepid water, turned pillows, a neatly drawn under-sheet, and a soft, shaded light will do much to soothe a restless child to sleep.

Taking a Temperature

Every household should possess a clinical thermometer and every mother should be able to read it correctly. Normal temperature is 98.4 degrees Fahrenheit, but many healthy children and adults register little more than 97 degrees.

A child's temperature rises very quickly and can fall with equal rapidity. It is never sufficient to feel a child's forehead or hands; only an

exact reading of the thermometer will decide whether he is feverish. It is wisest to take a child's temperature under the arm, being careful to see that the bulb of the thermometer does not show beyond the armpit.

Diet is important in nursing. A mistake is often made in giving too much milk. This quickly leads to a "dirty tongue" and clogging of the taste buds which cover its surface.

Suitable Drinks

Milk is best given diluted with soda-water or, still better, with barley-water, and most sick children need more than half a pint of milk in 24 hours. Other suitable liquids are orange-juice with water sweetened with glucose, lemon juice with barley water, beef tea or chicken broth.

Once the fever begins to drop the

child can go on to light diet, which includes beaten or lightly-cooked egg, thin bread and butter, junket, jelly or custard, baked apple, vegetable puree, fish, minced chicken, brains or sweetbread.

He should be encouraged to drink plenty of water between his meals. Keep meal times to the normal hours and give nothing in between beyond such medicines or tonics as are ordered by the doctor. Never force nourishment upon a feverish child; he is far better without it.

Ware Chills

Be careful not to over-clothe the child in bed. This leads to discomfort and often a chill if a perspiring child is left in a draught for a few minutes.

Pyjamas or nightgown should be warm but light, and there should be no need to wear a vest underneath.

In chest troubles a "pneumonia jacket," made in a kind of cotton-wool called gamgee and resembling the old-fashioned chest-protector, will protect lungs both back and front. Once the child reaches the sitting-up stage, he can wear a bed-jacket back to front, so that there is no draught opening across the chest; this back will be protected by well-stacked pillows.

Avoid too many blankets, and discard heavy quilts; a light eiderdown is useful and can be removed or drawn down over the feet if the child complains of being too warm.

In certain illnesses, such as nephritis, rheumatism, fever, and heart troubles, doctor may order "no sheets" except for a narrow draw-sheet beneath the patient. This is known as a "blanket-bed."

It is wise to have two pairs of pyjamas in regular use, so that they may be changed morning and evening or if the child perspires. Aim at keeping the patient fresh and dainty with neatly trimmed nails and well-brushed hair. A few drops of eau-de-cologne in the washing water are refreshing.

The care of the mouth is important. With tiny children the teeth and gums can be rubbed over with a clean swab wrapped round a finger, which is then dipped in glycerine and borax; older children should use some mild mouth wash at four-hourly intervals throughout all serious illnesses.



MIDGE: "Isolation means we can't go and see Nancy."

Ways With Dried Fruit

HOW excellent prunes can be, if they are mixed with dried apricots, and cooked slowly with a piece of cinnamon stick, and a few whole cloves! Try them cooked that way, then prunes will be greeted as a delicious novelty.

When making a rhubarb tart, or dumpling, put alternate layers of dates and rhubarb and no sugar will be required. Rhubarb and apricots go well together, too—only be sure to soak the apricots 24 hours before using.

Steamed Date Pudding

Take 1 breakfastcup breadcrumbs, 1 teaspoon flour, ¼ lb. suet, ¼ lb. dates, 2 ozs. brown sugar, 1 teaspoon baking powder, ¼ teaspoon grated nutmeg, 1 egg, 1 breakfastcup milk.

Stew dates in the milk ¼ hour. This greatly improves flavour of pudding. Mix all dry ingredients in basin, add beaten egg, then dates and milk, and mix thoroughly. Pour into greased mould and steam steadily 2 hours. Serve hot with custard sauce.

Fig Pudding

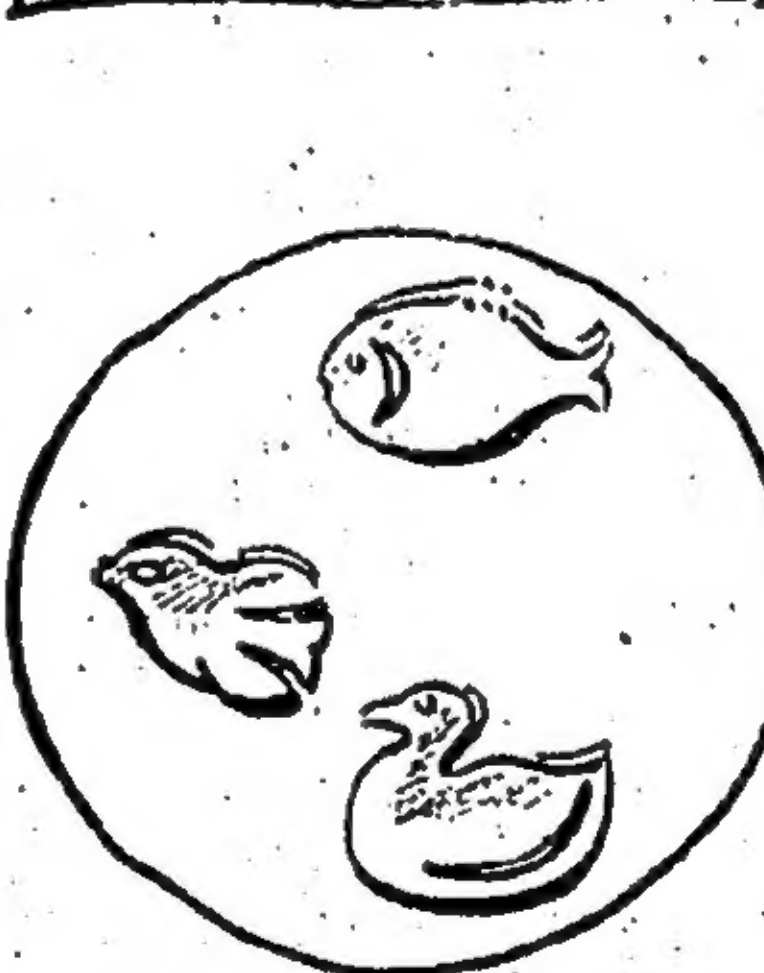
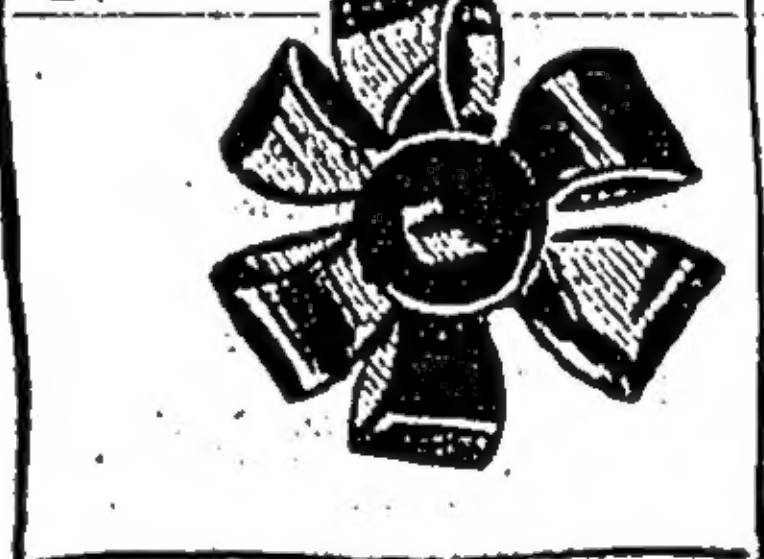
Four ozs. breadcrumbs, 2 ozs. flour, 2 ozs. suet (chopped), 2 ozs. brown sugar, ¼ lb. figs (soaked and cut small), ¼ teaspoon baking powder, 1 apple (chopped), ½ teaspoon milk. Mix all the ingredients well together and steam steadily three hours or longer. This pudding is improved in colour and taste by long steaming.

Prune Tart

Wash and soak prunes in cold water overnight. Stew all together with a little lemon rind and sugar. Remove stones, and allow to cool.

Line a soup plate with short crust pastry, prick at foot with a fork to prevent heating rising. Add prunes, and 2 tablespoons juice to moisten.

Cover with pastry. Brush top of pastry with a little milk. Bake in a quick oven 20-30 minutes till pastry is a pale golden colour. Serve with "berry-blanche" or "prune" sauce.



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CHURCH NOTICES

ST. ANDREW'S (CHURCH OF ENGLAND, KOWLOON)
Empire Day Commemoration Services

Sunday, May 26—First Sunday After Trinity.
Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Empire Day Commemoration Service, 10 a.m.; Holy Communion, 11 a.m.; Special Service, 7 p.m. Preacher, The Vicar, Rev. Canon J. H. Higgs. The "King" for the Allies and their cause will be offered at all services.

The Sunday School will be held after the Evening Service.
Sunday Schools, Primary Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Junior Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Young People's Service, 10 a.m. Leader, Mrs. J. H. Higgs.

Monday, May 27—Medical War Working Party for China, 10 a.m. Fellowship of "Youth and War" Working Party, 8 p.m. Teachers' Preparation Class, 7 p.m. St. Andrew's Club "Open" night, 8.30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 28—Brownie Pack, 3.30 p.m.; Parochial Church Council, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, May 29—Medical War Working Party, 10 a.m.; Wolf Cub, 5.30 p.m.; Rover Scouts, 6.45 p.m. (11, Cumberland Rd., Kowloon Road).
Thursday, May 30—Women's Fellowship and B.W.O.F. Working Party, 3 p.m.; Boy Scouts, 5 p.m.; St. Andrew's Club "Open" night, 8.30 p.m.
Friday, May 31—Medical War Working Party, 10 a.m.; Full Choir Practice, 6.30 p.m.

Saturday, June 1—St. Andrew's Club Lunch (Bathurst Place) for members and friends leaves the Police Pier at 3 p.m.

CHRIST CHURCH

Dr. Y. Y. Tsu to Preach At Mandarin Service
May 26, 1st Sunday after Trinity.
7.15 a.m. Holy Communion (in English); 8 a.m. Holy Communion (in Chinese); 9.30 a.m. Junior Sunday School at 3 Duke St.; 10 a.m. Children's Matins; Preacher, The Vicar, Rev. Canon J. H. Higgs. "All things bright and beautiful"; "Children of the heavenly King"; "The Lord my pasture shall prepare"; "Recreation, 4.30. 'Jesus shall reign'"; 11 a.m. Mandarin Service. Prayers and Confirmation by the Right Rev. Y. Y. Tsu, Ph. D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Hongkong and Shanghai, in charge of work in Yunnan and Kweichow Provinces. Preacher, Bishop Tsu; 5.30 p.m. Evensong.

Wednesday, May 30—Holy Communion at 3 Duke Street at 4.30 p.m.
Thursday, May 31—Holy Communion at 7.15 a.m. Guild of Maria and Mary weekly meeting in the Vicarage at 10 a.m. Full Choir practice in the Church at 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 1—Preparation for parishes corporate communion, 6.30 p.m. in the Church.

UNION CHURCH (KENNEDY ROAD).

Service of Prayer For The Empire
Morning Service—10.30 a.m. Evening Service—6 p.m. Preacher at both services, Rev. K. A. Leslie, D.D., Bishop of Hongkong.

Morning Service will be specially observed as a service of prayer for the Nation and Empire.
The Sunday School meets in the Church Hall at 9.30 a.m. each Sunday morning. A short meeting in the Church at 10.15 a.m. on Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m. Tea and light refreshments are served, and a cordial invitation to attend is extended to all.

The B.W.O.F. Working Party, which meets in the Church Hall on Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 p.m., have changed the day and hour of their meeting to Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. Will all helpers please note this change?

LESSON SERMON

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong
The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches to-morrow, May 26, will be: "Soul and Spirit." The golden text will be: "My soul I commit unto thee, O Lord." (Psalm 124:1). Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "For in him we live, and move, and have our being" (Acts 17:28). The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook: "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Soul is the substance, life, and intelligence of man, which is individualized, but not material." "Man is the expression of Soul." (Page 400, 477).

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong (a branch of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.) No. 31 Macdonnell Road, close to Peak Tram Station, Sunday Services: 10.30 a.m. Sunday School—9.30 a.m. Sunday School—10.15 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 8 p.m. A Reading Room is located in the Church building, open every morning (except Sunday) from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 5.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. All authorized Christian Science literature is available at the Reading Room. The Public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 30th May, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive. By order of the Board, JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD. General Managers, Hongkong, 16th April, 1940.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 29th. day of May, to THURSDAY, the 6th. of June, 1940, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers, Hongkong, 23rd May, 1940.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Eighteenth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at Exchange Building, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, 8th June, 1940, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 28th MAY to 8th JUNE, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. W. BROWN, Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1940.

METHODIST CHURCH (QUEEN'S ROAD EAST).

L.C.A. Meeting at "The Towers" on June 4

Services on Sunday, May 26
Preachers—Morning, Rev. J. E. Sandbach; Evening, Rev. W. H. Allen.

Morning Parade Service at 10.15 a.m. Hymn No. 227, Prayer, Hymn No. 563, First Lesson, Hymn No. 578, Second Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offertory, Hymn No. 203, Benediction.

Evening service at 7 p.m.—Hymn No. 701, Prayer, Hymn No. 510, Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offertory, Hymn No. 508, Sermon, Hymn No. 501, Benediction.

Following the Evening Service, a Social Hour will be held at the S. & S. Home at 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians will be warmly welcomed.

Preliminary Notice—A meeting of the L.C.A. will be held on Tuesday, June 4 at 3.30 p.m. at "The Towers", 20 Broadwood Road, by kind invitation of Mrs. A. Grandfield.

There will be a meeting for Prayer and Fellowship at the S. & S. Home on Tuesday at 8.30 p.m.

The General Committee is meeting at the S. & S. Home on Wednesday at 8 p.m.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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NO GOLD EXPORTS

Strict Regulations By Chinese Government

Chungking, May 24.—The export of gold and gold objects is to be rigidly restricted according to new regulations promulgated yesterday. Passengers leaving China, whether by sea, land or air, are forbidden to carry any gold or gold objects whatsoever. Travellers desiring of taking old objects of antiquarian or artistic value may do so after a valuation of the objects has been made and a sum equivalent to the value deposited with the Customs. Should such objects not be brought back within a year, the deposit will be confiscated.

People travelling in China via foreign territory are permitted to carry a certain amount of gold, provided they produce a huachao ticket or other certificate proving their ultimate destination within China. In any case, gold carried on such persons cannot exceed the Hakwan tael in value.

Much interest was aroused in Chungking recently by an attempt to smuggle gold out of the country. This occurred at the Chungking airport when a Chinese passenger about to leave for Hongkong was "searched by the Customs authorities and bars of gold were found tied to his feet. The gold was confiscated."

Shanghai Gun Fight

An exciting chase and a fierce gun battle between the Police and armed robbers in front of the Sun Sun department store in bustling Nanking Road at 10.30 a.m. to-day three shoppers into a panic. One robber was killed instantly and three Chinese pedestrians and a Sikh policeman were wounded.

A foreign Police officer, Sgt. Nicoll, was the hero of the affair. He dashing chased the robbers into the entrance of the department store and shot one man dead.

The battle began when a Chinese woman who had just cashed a cheque at a bank was stopped near the store by several men, one of whom brandished a pistol and ordered her to hand over her handbag. The robbers snatched the woman's bag and fled, but the foreign Police sergeant, Chinese constables and a Sikh policeman took up the chase with guns blazing away. Other robbers are believed to have fled into the store and disappeared.—United Press.

SINGAPORE, May 24 (Reuter).—Special prayers were said to-day in the Malay State of Kedah for the speedy victory of Britain and her Allies.

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Germans to reinforce these advance guards with parachute troops. This decision may still apply even where the German High Command lays claim to have taken a certain place.

To-day's German communiqué with its scanty amount of information seems to be a confirmation of the wisdom of this decision for secrecy.

Position Defined

Up to late on Thursday night the position could be defined with more or less certainty as follows: Allied troops are holding a line from the North Sea down the River Scheldt into France, down to Valenciennes and from thence south of the gap between the French and British armies.

Some mechanised columns had advanced as far as the coast. South of the gap the French were firmly holding the Somme at the outskirts of Amiens.

There is as yet no confirmation of the New York report that German troops have been isolated in that town. The French line then runs along the Aisne through Reims and joins the Maginot Line proper near Longwy.

The Germans are not neglecting the southern flank. There was heavy fire on Thursday on the Maginot Line and the positions which were held to the west of it.

To-day there were continued attacks south of Sedan.

Great Air Activity

Intense activity continues in the air. The Allied air forces are bombing the enemy line and supply routes while the Germans are trying to bomb the Channel ports.

The Royal Navy is helping the Allied troops in every possible way. One of the particular duties undertaken by the Navy is to keep the French ports clear of mines.

Flanders Battle Raging

PARIS, May 24 (Reuter).—The battle in Flanders continues to rage with the greatest violence, a French War Office spokesman stated.

Details of the operations are shrouded in secrecy, for at this stage General Weygand must necessarily keep his own counsel, but what is certain is that fighting is extremely intense and verveless in the Arras-Cambrai-Valenciennes sector.

Berlin Admission

BERLIN, May 24 (Reuter).—The official news agency admits that the Allies have brought up numerous reinforcements, especially motorised and mechanised units despite strong German air attacks.

However, the agency states that all attempts to break the German lines have failed.

The report adds that fresh German infantry divisions were brought up so that at some points the Germans now have numerical superiority.

Situation Unchanged

PARIS, May 24 (Reuter).—A military spokesman stated this evening that the situation at Valenciennes, Cambrai and Arras is practically unchanged.

Allied Counter-Attack
LONDON, May 24 (Reuter).—A Paris communiqué states that the violent encounters which have been taking place several days past in the north, particularly in the regions of Cambrai and Arras and which extended as far as the regions of St. Omer and Boulogne, have not threatened the continuity of our front as a whole.

Such of Sedan, the German attack reported this morning was carried out with powerful means.

Our counter-attack registered a very clear success.

There were very active operations by our reconnaissance and bombing aircraft, which continued to harass the enemy rear.

Our fighter planes, while continuing their covering action, successfully attacked, by cannon and gun, the armoured and motorised units of the enemy.

German Reports
THE "TELEGRAPH" has, in the past, suppressed numerous reports emanating from Berlin and other German sources. But it does not believe that the interests of its readers or of the Allied cause would be served by further suppression of any news passed by the censors and therefore publishes the following despatches with the warning that, as they are of German origin, they should be treated with reserve and suspicion.—Ed.

Berlin, May 24 (UP).—Military quarters in Berlin declare that the battle in northern France and Belgium will be won before the end of this month.

They claim the Germans have now entered Calais and Ghent as well as Boulogne and predict that within the next few days the Germans will drive up the Channel coast as far as Dunkirk and Ostend in an attempt to reach the German forces operating from the East. The latter have claimed to-day to have reached the River Lys.

DNE reports from the front claim that the Ghent fortifications have been broken and that German forces have entered the city.

German reports claim that only two of the original twelve Belgian divisions are still fighting and state that the numerical strength in northern France and Belgium is rapidly changing in favour of the Germans.

The German G.H.Q. claims that 23 Allied divisions (roughly 500,000 men) are in the pocket between the German forces in Belgium and those who have reached Abbeville.

The claim states that these divisions include almost the entire B.E.F. and five Belgian divisions, as well as some French.

(The despatches conflict. One says that only two Belgian divisions are still fighting; another that five Belgian divisions have been "trapped".—Ed.)

Defence Law

Modernised

Penalty Now To Sketch An Aeroplane

Modern war developments since 1895—such as the appearance of the aeroplane and the sea mine—have necessitated the bringing up to date of defence legislation promulgated in Hongkong in 1895.

Accordingly, this morning's "Government Gazette" announces an Ordinance (amending the Defence (Sketching Prevention) Ordinance, 1895).

This Ordinance forbade, except with permission, the sketching of naval or military premises in Hongkong, and stipulated heavy penalties for the offence or for the offence of having such a sketch in one's possession or of being in the vicinity of defence establishments with sketching material.

The new ordinance makes the original ordinance applicable to Air Force premises as well as to naval or military premises, and the amended legislation is designed to insert the words "or Air Force" or "Aircraft" in the pertinent places.

The Amending Bill also forbids the sketching, not only of any battery, but of the field of fire of any weapon therein.

Finally it forbids the presence of any person with sketching, drawing, photographic or painting materials or apparatus in his possession in the vicinity, not only of any battery or of any naval or military premises or anchorages, but of "landing, firing, bombing or minefield areas."

The Attorney-General makes the following remarks concerning the Bill:

"The object of this amending Bill is to bring the Defences (Sketching Prevention) Ordinance up to date by applying it to air force premises as well as to naval or military premises, to His Majesty's ships, to the field of fire of batteries, to landing, firing, bombing or minefield areas as well as to anchorages and to give to commissioned or non-commissioned officers in the air forces the same powers of arrest as are given to the like officers in the naval or military forces."

WASHINGTON, May 24 (Reuter).—American radio stations this evening cleared the air of programmes in order to broadcast His Majesty the King's Empire Day message.

The speech was very clearly heard throughout the United States.

BRITAIN PREPARES

Volunteers Ready For Parachute Troops

London, May 24.—Britain is rushing through home defence measures while military quarters warn that the German occupation of Boulogne is seriously threatening the encircled British and Belgian divisions in north France and has also brought the Germans within artillery range of the English coast.

With Government officers admitting that the Germans may attempt invasion of Britain by sea or from the air, ever increasing numbers of anti-parachute volunteers are patrolling the countryside and agents of Scotland Yard are swooping down on the German and German sympathisers in the anti-Fifth Column drive.

Competent observers admit that the thrust to the Channel and occupation of Boulogne has already succeeded in obstructing the transmission of orders to the Allies in Belgium and north France, and the German positions are consolidated.

The situation of the Allies in Belgium will be desperate.—United Press.

MESSAGE FROM QUEEN

Wilhelmina Broadcasts To East Indies

London, May 24.—"Despite the catastrophe our people have had to suffer, their confidence in the future remains unshaken," declared Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, in a moving message broadcast to the Dutch East Indies this morning.

"In the past our people have gone through great trials, which their faith in God and love of liberty always had been able to overcome," she said. "I wish to tell you not to despair during these dark days."

Neither my people nor my Ministers nor I myself hesitated one moment to follow the course of duty, and we shall thus continue calmly and courageously, trusting in the justice of our cause."

"We shall know how to surmount all vicissitudes of the moment because we followed the determined line and great principle worthy of strong and proud people, which cannot but resist injuries."—Reuter.

MOSQUE PRAYERS FOR ALLIES

CAIRO, May 24 (Reuter).—Prayers for the Allies were said at the Mosque to-day.

The preachers urged the congregations to prepare for a "Jihad" war and to be ready to sacrifice all for the Allied cause.

Sub-Lieutenant B. M. Bateman and Acting Chaplain The Reverend Charles Strong have relinquished their commissions in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force.

JUNK WRECK REPORTED

A half-submerged junk was reported on Thursday at position latitude 21°48' north longitude 118°33' east.

H.M.'S BROADCAST

FROM PAGE ONE

out the Empire shows without doubt which will prevail.

"They have risen in just wrath against the things which they detect and despise."

Confidence Undimmed

"In perfect unity of purpose they will defend their lives and all that makes life worth living."

"Let no one think that my confidence is dimmed when I tell you how perilous is the ordeal which we are facing."

"On the contrary it shines in my heart as brightly as it shines in yours."

"But confidence alone is not enough."

"It must be armed with courage and resolution, with endurance and self-sacrifice."

"These are the high qualities that the men of the Homeland and the men from overseas in an unending stream are bringing to the struggle on land and sea and in the air."

"At this moment our thoughts turn to our fighting men and to those who love them, mothers, wives and sweethearts at home."

"Beside them stand the soldiers of our old ally, France, and with them Poland, Norway, Belgium and Holland, people upon whose peaceful lands has fallen all the horror of a treacherous and unprovoked aggression."

A Day Of Prayer

"At this fateful hour we turn as our fathers before us have turned in all times of trial to God the Most High."

"Here in the Old Country I have asked that next Sunday should be observed as a day of national prayer."

"It may be possible for many of our brethren across the seas to join their prayers with ours."

"Let us with one heart and soul humbly but confidently commit our cause to God and ask His aid that we may valiantly defend the right as it is given to us to see it."

"So now to the peoples of the Empire, men and women in all corners of the globe, I say to you: put into your hearts whatever it may be, all the courage and purpose of which you are capable. Keep your hearts proud and your resolve unshaken."

"Let us go forward to that task as one man, with a smile on our lips and our heads held high and with God's help we shall not fail."

America Listens-In

WASHINGTON, May 24 (Reuter).—American radio stations this evening cleared the air of programmes in order to broadcast His Majesty the King's Empire Day message.

The speech was very clearly heard throughout the United States.

RA.F. RAIDS

FROM PAGE ONE

bombers were military objectives at Buxart and Hirsion, where fires were started.

Hits were also obtained on the railway junction at Le Chapelet. At Givet, on the Meuse a marching yard and a large column of transport were severely damaged.

The railway junction at Beaumont was hit and the rolling stock set on fire.

The junction at Gembloux was also successfully attacked and an explosion was seen among the convoy of lorries nearby.

After the bombing at Charleroi another explosion occurred.

Heavy bombers attacked the enemy communications at Emmerich, Cologne, Coblenz and elsewhere.

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WAR

GREAT SPY HUNT IN THAMES SHIPS

"When You Come Home, Dear..."

As the strains of "When You Come Home, Dear," played by Sandy Macpherson, the popular B.B.C. organist, came over the radio, an anti-aircraft gunner "Somewhere in England" played that its message would be heard by his missing daughter. And at home his wife sat by the telephone, waiting.

"GHOST" LAID

DR. PICKTHILL, owner of Dixcart Hotel, on the island of Sark, died 60 years ago. But ever since there has been something strange about a room on the second floor. Several times attempts were made to "lay the ghost."

CAN'T GO BACK TO NORWAY

TWENTY-THREE men are sleeping overtime at a London hotel.

They are Norwegians, captains and gunners of whalers which have been combing the Antarctic for three months.

During these three months there have been only about two hours of darkness in the 24 and nearly as little sleep for the lot. Now they are making up for lost time. And the Germans will not get their valuable catches.

"Normally, we would go back to Norway," said blond Captain Harald Henriksen, 30-year-old gunner, who has shot 160 whales this season.

"But because of the war we are stuck here for the moment. I am the only unmarried man of the lot; my father and mother live at Trondheim, near Oslo. None of us has heard a word from our people since we left Capetown in the middle of March, and we have not seen them for six months."

"Men with wives and families in Oslo have no idea what has happened to their homes. We want to go back but so far it has been impossible."

93-Foot Whale

"The biggest whale I got this season was 93 feet long," said Captain Henriksen. "It was a good season. You don't call it cold down there, around 60 degrees south, but although we were laid enough of four big sheepskin coats we considered it a mild winter compared with last."

"We got plenty of whales, too. The flesh is delicious; we ate lots of it on board ship, cooking it in a variety of ways just as you would cook beef."

Donald Duck Signed

THESE entries appeared in a visitors' book seized by the police at a Reading club: "Jean Harlow, Paris," "Donald Duck, alias Dracula," "Popeye alias Oliver Oyl" and "Tom Mix."

Sidney Barker, proprietor of the Duke's Club, King-street, was fined £40 recently for permitting the sale of drink to non-members. The club was struck off the register. On one occasion, it was said, those present included a wealthy landowner, unemployed men, cattle thieves, convicted thieves and several women.

A NAZI ACT

Picture radiated from London shows Norwegian steamship Hugin sinking off Eastland after she had struck a mine, while travelling with British convoy of life-boats in foreground. All 31 of crew were saved.



Commissions Only If They Make Good

HUNDREDS OF young men called up for service who go into the Navy are to be given the chance of getting commissions for the duration of the war.

The Admiralty have now nearly exhausted the supply of temporary officers from the Volunteer Reserve and the supplementary list, and are planning to make a start with 250 of the naval militia-men.

No young man will be able to get a temporary commission unless he has been entered as a rating. But after three months' sea service he may be recommended by his commanding officer.

CRAMMING

He must have a good education, so that he can start straight away on the special naval teaching. This will be crammed into him in three months.

There are thirty-eight subjects he will have to learn in that time, from how to deal with a man overboard to general knowledge of radio; from how to anchor a ship

drawn the dolo several times. I hated it, and was glad to get this job. "The position in Weiwayn are a fine lot. I am known to them as Mr. Knill."

to how to read signals. Those who pass the selection board at the Admiralty will do this three months' training at the establishment known as H.M.S. King Alfred, at Hove. Already nearly 1,000 men of the pre-war Volunteer Reserve have gone through the courses there and are now at sea as temporary lieutenants and sub-lieutenants.

How many militia-men get commissions will depend mainly on how many ships the Navy adds to its strength during the war. The first 250 will be taken from those who were called up in the autumn and have already had some experience at sea.

The Navy do not expect to get many extra engineer officers by this system, as engineering cannot be taught in three months. Nor will many paymaster sub-lieutenants be taken in this way, unless they have special qualifications for accountancy.

But some young men whose eyesight is not quite up to the standard for executive commissions may be taken for the paymaster branch if they show special aptitude.

—OR TAME THEM

A man sued at Clerkenwell County Court complained that while he was soldiering in Palestine he had sent his wife money to pay for the goods and she had not done so.

TURKEY is taking no chances and Turkish women are preparing to do their bit with the men. Here are some secondary schoolgirls being shown how to handle a rifle by a soldier.

Nazis Tune In To London

PARIS.—Secret reports received from Germany by the Social Democratic party in Paris, shortly to be published here, include a series of letters indicating that foreign broadcasts are widely listened to in spite of the savage penalty imposed by the Nazis.

The Nazis put the crime of listening to foreign stations on a par with that of a soldier guilty of self-inflicted wounds, and sentences of five years' imprisonment have been passed on listeners betrayed to the police. Some parents do not dare to turn on London, Paris or Strasbourg until children have gone to bed.

The English news bulletins are listeners' first choice. A letter from Westphalia states that they strike people as relatively unbiased and are convincing. Listeners who are regularly visited by their own stations are impressed when anyone admits losses and any lack of success.

Lack Of Fuel Restrictions on motoring have become still more severe since the previous set of reports were received, and the correspondence goes to show the lack of motor fuel is the most dangerous gap in German armament.

One correspondent in Brandenburg is a butcher at Guben who moped eight miles with his wife to visit a sick relative. He was denounced and punished by being made to wheel a refuse cart up and down the streets for an hour with his wife. A doctor who had used his car for a brief joy-ride was similarly compelled to spend two days wheeling a costermonger's barrow. But in the same small place there are 38 Nazi "bigwigs" who motor unrestrictedly.

While the persecution of Jews continues pitilessly a Bavarian report says that the Faber-Castell Pencil Factory at Nuremberg has engaged Jewish agents to expand its trade in North and South America. The same correspondent mentions that the Schuckert works at Nuremberg are doing good trade with Mexico and Brazil by way of Italy.

One-Man Tanks The A.R.D.E. factory at Nuremberg is working full-time on the production of one-man tanks 600 of which are said to be destined for Hungary and 820 for Bulgaria. On the other hand, the Dresden hat factories are reported as having completely lost their big trade with the Balkans and South America.

Hamburg's export trade is dead, but the port of Stettin is said to be busy. In February six ships a week sailed with goods for Russia, forwarded by way of Lubeck and Memel.

The German railways are in an increasingly bad state, and many correspondents tell of popular distrust of German currencies, indicated by a rapidly-growing demand for any kind of real property.

Stowaway 'Tips' C.I.D.

THE discovery of a German stowaway in a ship started a great hunt for Nazi agents at all Thames docks recently.

Special Branch men of Scotland Yard boarded every neutral ship entering or leaving the river and investigated the credentials of everyone aboard.

The search was ordered because London police three days previously arrested a German hiding in the hold of a Dutch steamer lying at a Thames dock.

He was taken secretly to Cannon-row police station, where he explained to detectives that he was a refugee from Germany and had stowed away at Amsterdam.

Two Englishmen Caught The Yard men believed his story, and he may be released after further inquiries.

He gave them valuable information about the ease with which he reached this country from Holland. The need for a closer watch on Thames traffic was also emphasised by the arrest of two Englishmen who were sent to Brixton Prison under the Emergency Powers Regulations.

They were caught trying to obtain information from Government servants.

Their arrest coincided with the detention of a German who was in touch with them and was preparing to leave Britain. He has now been interned.

A local order, issued by the Flag Officer for the area, that no pleasure steamers or privately owned boats will be allowed on the Thames below London Bridge during daylight without a special permit, was confirmed by the Admiralty.

Dad, 90, Is Heir

JOHN Mulhall, a 90-year-old cowboy, who left his wife Susan, now 87, and their baby girl 60 years ago, was declared his daughter's part-heir in a New York court.

He inherits £20,000, a quarter of his daughter's money.

The old man appeared dramatically during the hearing of a suit about the estate.

"That's The Girl" He was not recognised by the wife he had abandoned, but he soon proved his identity.

"Yeah, that's the girl I married," he said. "It's a pity I never say my daughter's name. She was only a tot when I left."

"To think she got all that money and then died before me."

After the court decision, Mrs. Mulhall said:

"I don't want to talk to him, anyway. I divorced him 58 years ago, two years after he had left me."

She had to go to Birmingham Police Court to give evidence against two youths accused of striking her down with intent to rob her shop in Bristol-road, Birmingham.

A doctor had to sit beside her. Then she gave her evidence calmly, and the youths went for trial.

TEETOTAL SCOTS DRINK CIDER...

A SCOTS soldier who became fighting drunk on Somerset cider was fined 7s. 6d. at Yeovil.

The chairman of the court warned Scotsmen of the strength of cider in the West Country.

The soldier, James O'Hare, aged 25, was stated to have become so drunk that a policeman and two soldiers had to take him to the police station.

An Army officer said in court: "Up in Scotland cider is a drink you can have if you are a teetotaler."

£2,000 Went "Flop"

One-Night Revue

PLAYGOERS in evening dress arriving at the Playhouse Theatre, W., recently to see the "Let's Mix It" revue, were told that it had come off after the first night. Their money was refunded.

Backstage, their eyes suspiciously bright, their jaws set, the revue's cast held a meeting, presided over by an Equity official. A cheque for £125 was to be divided between them.

Altogether, they learnt, about £2,000 had gone with this "musical cocktail" fiasco.

First Venture Some of this money was put into the show by Miss Joan Byford, actor Roy Byford's daughter.

It was her first venture in theatrical management, and she has taken over the theatre for "the duration and for two years after the war."

A telegram from Bognor, expressing her sorrow and apologies, was read to the cast as they sadly packed their things.

Miss Byford had hurried to Bognor to be with her co-author, composer, and musical director, Mr. Harold Brewster, who had been taken to a nursing home there, suffering from a nervous breakdown.

"The Bird" "To be frank," one of the cast said "we got 'the bird' last night."

"I've never known anything like it. You could hear members of the audience telling the players to get off the stage. Sometimes, they interrupted by slow and prolonged clapping."

"The trouble was that we were completely unhearsed." Cries of "Here, Here," from the rest of the cast.

"The finale of the show was only given to us a few hours before the curtain was due to rise. We barely knew the words."

20 YEARS IN WORLD OF HER OWN

OUT into the hurrying, bustling, noisy world went Mrs. Minnie Harriet Smith.

She is seventy-six, and it was the first time she had left her cosy little shop for twenty years.

It took something drastic to make Mrs. Smith budge from her own world.

She had to go to Birmingham Police Court to give evidence against two youths accused of striking her down with intent to rob her shop in Bristol-road, Birmingham.

A doctor had to sit beside her. Then she gave her evidence calmly, and the youths went for trial.

And when she got back home she was asked what she thought about the world after twenty years.

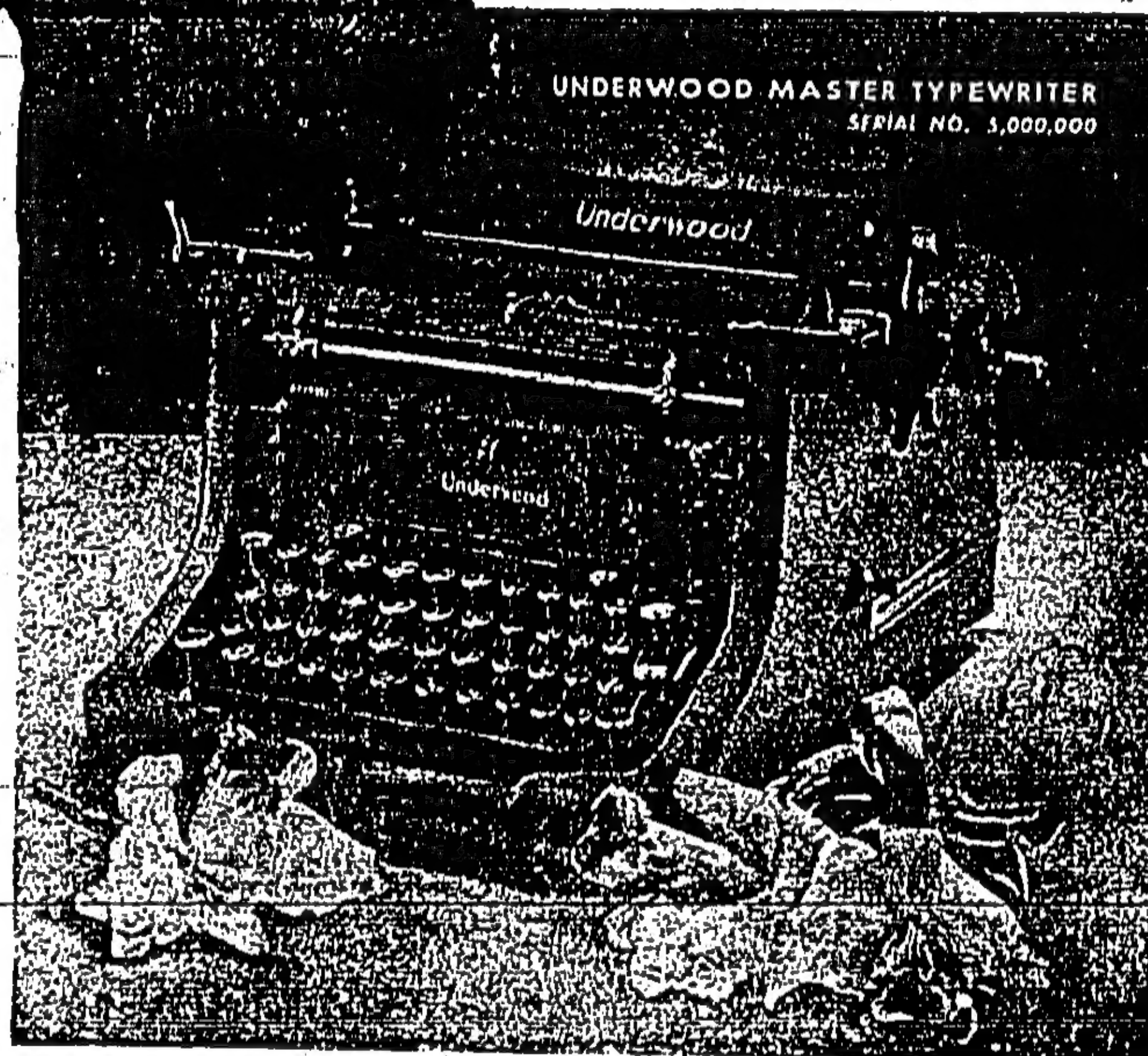
"Well, really I haven't had time to look about me," she answered. "From leaving my shop, every minute I was worrying about getting back home as soon as I could. And now I am back I have no strong wishes to go out again."

Everybody was hurrying and the world of her own.



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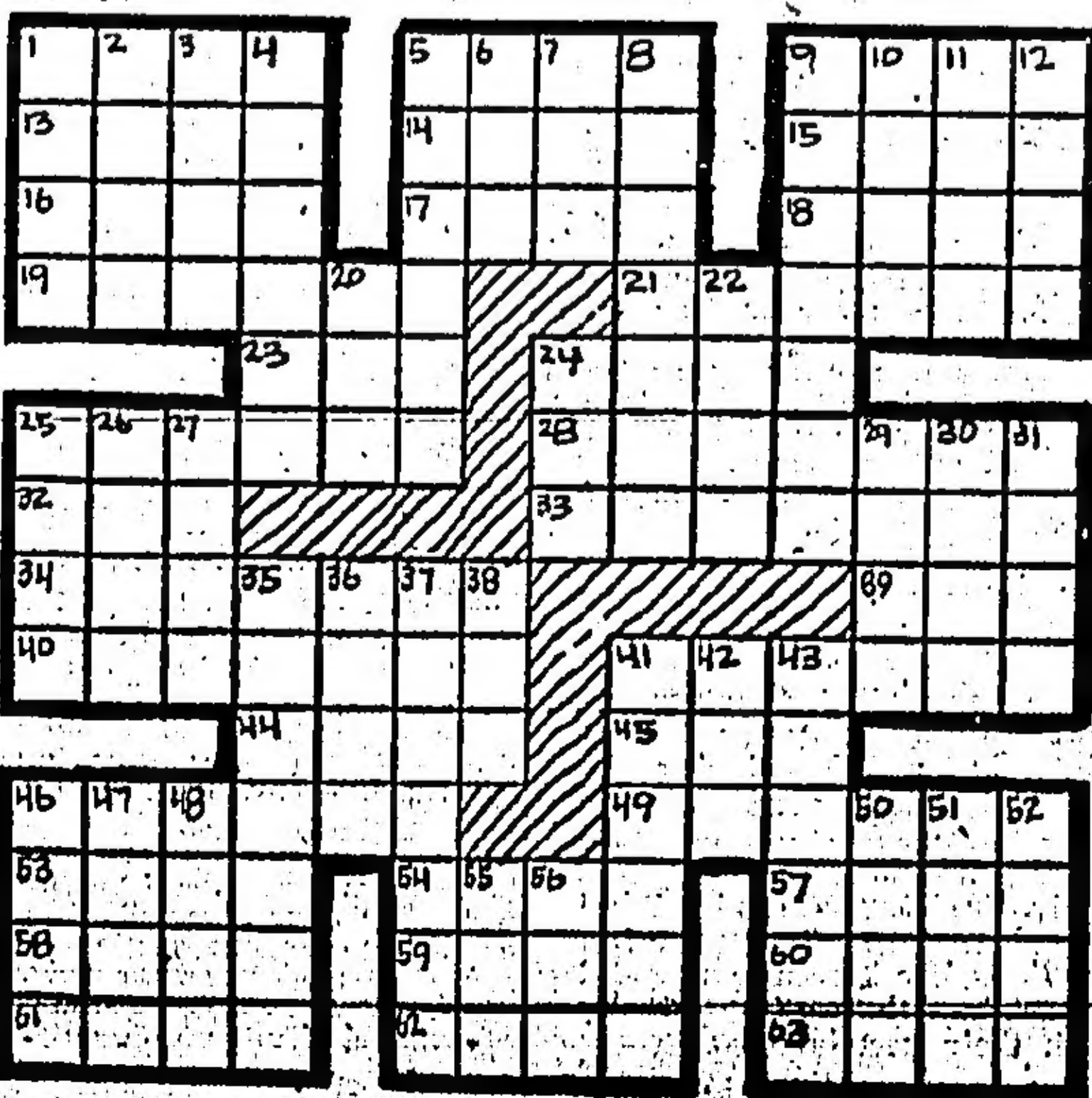
ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE.

ACROSS

- Ten cents
- Carry
- Fluffy dresser
- Sign of future
- Wager picker
- All time
- Large tube
- Back part
- Pertaining to
- Popular sex
- Popular disturbance
- French
- Cry of ascent and
- Port
- Large room
- Acrophony name
- State of day
- National Guard
- South American tree
- Part of apple
- Never conflict with
- Surrounding
- Fifth sign of sodas
- Amphibious
- Underground hollow
- Baseball team
- Unity
- Open space
- Call of moisture
- Chant
- Postion songs

DOWN

- By word of mouth
- Hotel
- Similar
- Mass
- Measure
- Make certain
- Cylindrical
- Under obligation
- Wine
- Irregular
- Discomat
- Part of eye
- Declare to be untrue
- Latin language
- Naval sailor
- Long time
- United university
- United time
- Unmarried girl
- Short deck of vessel
- Short
- Judge's circuit
- Long time
- Devil of moisture
- Devil of moisture
- Island of coast of
- Asia minor
- Quality of activity
- Dead body
- Literary collection
- Seller
- Kind of file
- Unit of currency
- Male parent
- Subtle in Arabic
- Become liquid from
- Best
- Girl's name
- Hebrew letter



Youngest V.C. (of the last war) Killed in This

LIEUT. EDWARD BENN SMITH, V.C., D.C.M., the youngest man to win the V.C. in the last war, has lost his life in this.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Smith, of North Quay, Maryport, Cumberland, have been notified that he has died from a shot wound in the head while serving with the B.E.F. in France.

"Ned" Smith was 41.
Threw Up Job

In 1917, when he was 18, he threw up his job at a colliery because mining was a reserved occupation and prevented him joining up. He enlisted in the Lancashire Fusiliers. He won the D.C.M. in the same year when, single-handed, he scattered a party of 40 Germans in 'poman's-land'. Shortly after his 19th birthday—he was then a lance-sergeant serving near Bapaume—he won the V.C. It was given to him for "most conspicuous bravery, leadership and personal example during an attack and in subsequent operations."

Rushed Post

"While in command of a platoon," says the official record, "Sergeant Smith personally took a machine-gun post, rushing the garrison with his rifle and bayonet. The enemy, seeing him advance, scattered, but threw handgrenades at him."

"Regardless of all danger and almost without halting in his rush on the post, this N.C.O. shot and killed at least six of the enemy."

"Later, seeing another platoon required assistance, he led his men to them, took command of the situation and captured the objective."

"During the enemy counter-attack on the following day he led a section forward and restored a portion of the line."

"His personal bravery, skill and initiative were outstanding."

"Ned" Smith never married. He stayed in the Army after the Armistice, retiring in November 1938, with the rank of regimental sergeant major.

Early last year he was recalled to the Colours and appointed R.S.M. to a Territorial battalion.

When the war began, he left to join a line battalion, and was sent to France.

He was gazetted lieutenant within a few weeks.

Their comrades were among the victims of the first use of poison gas by the Germans.

That was on April 23, 1915. To-day the young subaltern is the commanding officer of a battalion of the same regiment in France.

The Double Rose

He and all his men wore the red and white double rose on the anniversary of that day in remembrance of those who fell. The special roses were ordered from England, and the Yorks and Lancasters, once again in a forward position, wore them in their caps.

In this war the regiment has already been in contact with the Germans. Private C. Mills, who died of wounds, was their only casualty.

After he had been very seriously wounded Mills showed great courage, joking with his comrades and smoking cigarettes.

Dies At Daughter's Wedding

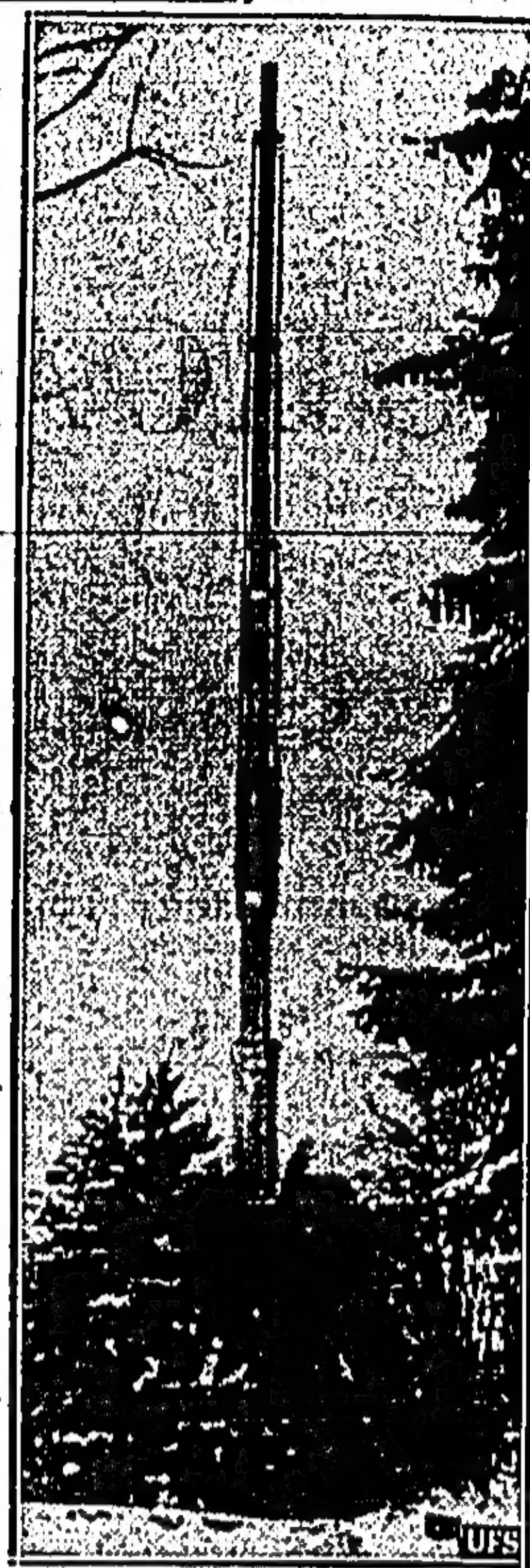
A father collapsed and died in the vestry at Weston-super-Mare Parish Church recently just after his daughter was married.

He was Prebendary G. L. Porcher, rector of the church.

Prebendary Porcher performed the ceremony. As the bride—his eldest daughter, Nell—left the vestry with her husband, Lieut. Inn Murray, he collapsed. Before a doctor arrived he was dead.

LONG FELLOW

Is this the "secret weapon" that Germans promised to unleash against the Allies? Any way, it's one of the new long-range guns in position behind the German West-wall.



**HAPPY, SO
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BECAUSE he is so happy, Mr. Charles Brotherton, 68-years-old chairman of the Yorkshire chemical manufacturing firm of Brotherton and Co., has given £250,000 to help cities in the North and Midlands.

A trust yielding an annual income of £10,000 will be formed for welfare schemes in the cities and towns where his firm has branches.

Mr. Brotherton, nephew of the late Lord Brotherton, who gave away two gifts of £100,000 each, has been three-times married, but up to last year he had had no children.

In October 1939 a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Brotherton. Each employee of the firm received £1. Mr. Brotherton, said his friends, became the "happiest man alive."

"Because so much happiness has come my way I want to give happiness to others while I am alive," he declared.

Last Line In Rhyme

MISS ELIZABETH BURDEN, of Blinkbonny, Old Lyme-road, Charnmouth, Dorset, began her will in verse, with:

I direct, when my lifetime has
ebbed away
My body to be cremated;
When the sea-tide is ebbing from
Charnmouth Bay
My ashes to be relegate
To the outflowing currents of the
River, Char

Crossing the beach to sea-foam;
That to him in whose hand great
waters are
Tide and current may carry me
home.

But if Char is frozen, or silted with
sand,
Scattered at large they shall be
From a boat rowed out a mile
from land,
God's sea taking charge of me.

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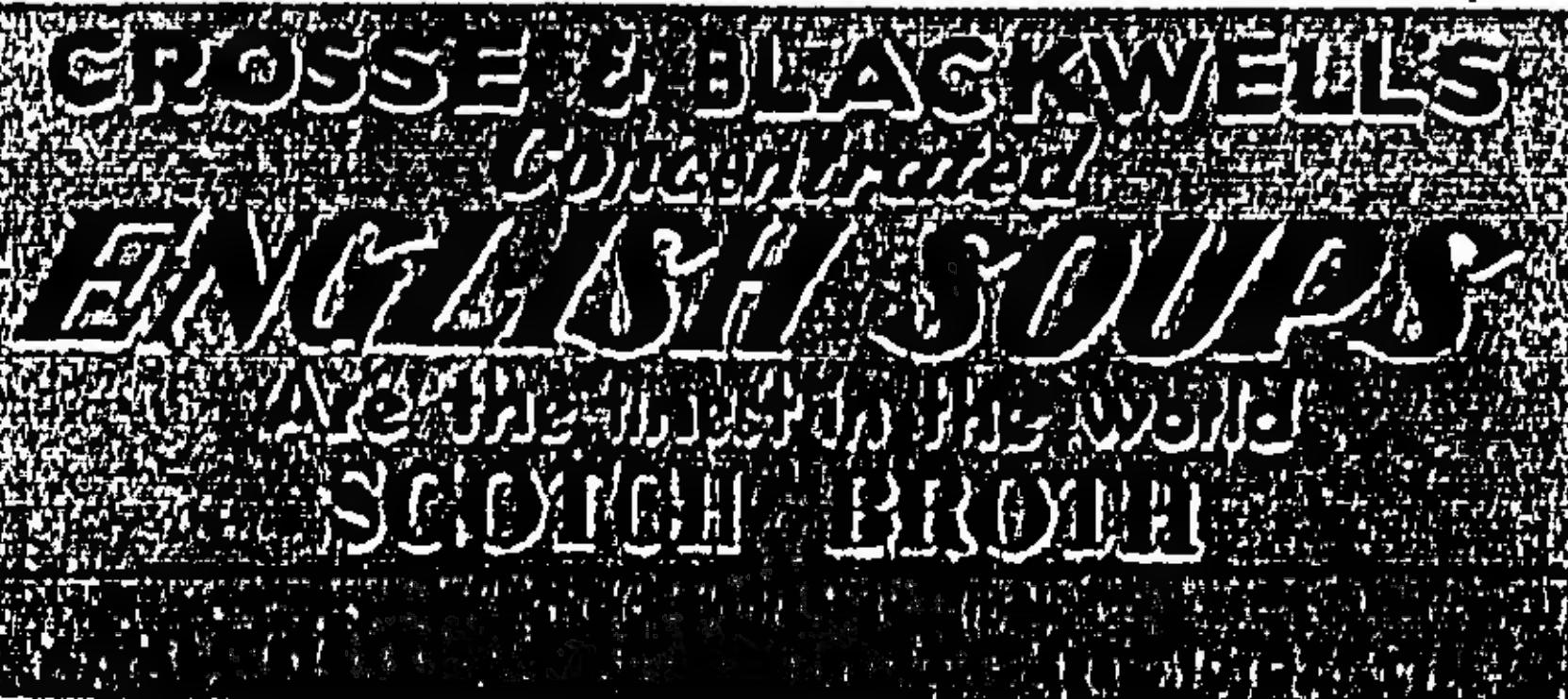
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Application refused.

JUSTICES SURPRISED

Kathleen Smith's
1940 Skirt

KATHLEEN SMITH, aged 18, of Brackley-road, Chiswick, surprised Mr. J. Kent, chairman of Acton magistrates.

Standing in the witness-box Kathleen held up what she said was a fashionable skirt. "I suppose it is a skirt," said Mr. Kent doubtfully. "It seems far too short to me."

When assured by Kathleen, a shop assistant, that it was indeed a modern skirt, Mr. Kent commented: "Well, there doesn't appear to be much of it. I suppose being a woman you must know what you are talking about."

And the garment went down in the court shorthand notes of the case as a skirt.

Kathleen was giving evidence against Emily Walton, aged 42, who was charged with shop-lifting from a multiple store. One of the articles which she admitted taking was the black skirt produced by Kathleen.

Emily Walton was bound over. Outside the court Kathleen said: "I thought everybody knew how dainty girls' skirts are to-day. I wear a typical 1940 fashion myself."

4 "Blind" Men Earn It For Him

THE UNCROWNED KING OF THE BEGGARS IS IN LONDON—WITH A BIG CAR, A "STAFF" OF FOUR "BLIND" MUSICIANS, AND £20 A WEEK IN HIS POCKET.

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Each of the four men takes from £7 to £10 a week. The "king's" weekly rake-off from the four is £20.

The police and the National Institute for the Blind are investigating the "king's" activities.

An official of the institute said: "The leader dresses his men in tattered suits and broken-down shoes. Round the neck of each man he hangs the lying placard 'Blind.'"

"They can play their instruments reasonably well, and kind-hearted people give them a great deal of money."

"I watched them recently. When the leader decided they had collected enough for the day, they hid themselves from the public, removed their boards, and trooped into a public house for a drink."

"Then they were driven away in a big car."

The king beggar and his men have been reported as far away as Devon.

Police records show that they are not the only beggars to "cash in" during the last few weeks on faked war wounds and second-hand medals bought from pawnshops.

JOBS FOR ALL

"London has become the beggar's Mecca," said the institute official.

"The public should refuse to part with their money. All blind persons in this country are guaranteed support without begging. If they are employable we find them a good job. If they cannot work we make provision for all their needs."

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A CHILD'S DEATH

ACCUSED of having burned a four-years-old girl, Olive Leyden, with a poker and beaten her with a leather belt and stick, Esther Scott, of Dovemount-place, Ilawick, was at Edinburgh committed for trial on a charge of culpable homicide.

The child it was stated, was in Scott's charge at the time.

On many occasions it was alleged, she burned her behind the right ear and on the chest with a heated poker, and thrashed her with a leather belt or stick, beat her over the head, face, body, and legs, as a result of which she died.

Scott pleaded not guilty.

Names Taken Off War Memorial

Parents Object to Dances In Hall

BECAUSE relatives object to dances being held in the hall, the names of three men killed in the last war have been removed from a commemoration tablet in the war memorial institute at the Cornish village of St. Dennis.

Controversy about dancing in the institute was brought to a head by a dance fixed for last night in aid of the local football club.

Three of the 49 names on the roll of honour were removed before the dance—those of the two sons and son-in-law of Mr. R. C. Solomon, of Hendra, St. Dennis.

The institute committee took this course at the request of Mr. Solomon and Mr. J. Commons, fathers of the men.

"I think dancing is against the spirit of a war memorial," said Mr. Commons. "Probably most people who have sons or husbands' names on the tablet would desire them to be removed."

Nazi Maps Draw Protest From Swiss

BERNE.—German atlas publishers printing maps under the National Socialist regime have drawn protests from the Swiss in the past and now they've done it again. Their programme calls for assembling or drawing all Germanic peoples in the Reich—or at least into National Socialism, and they forget that the Swiss Germans aren't interested.

The "Knaup" atlas, printed in Berlin, carries a map in its new edition headed "Germans living outside the frontiers of the Reich"—and the map includes German Switzerland in that group. To drive the point home, the atlas states that "there are three million Germans living in Switzerland."

The Swiss objected, in their newspapers and by word of mouth, to being called Germans. "Let them come here, those Nazi mapmakers, let them see and listen to what we think, and they'll learn we're Swiss, not German," said the "Zürcher Volksrecht," a German language newspaper.



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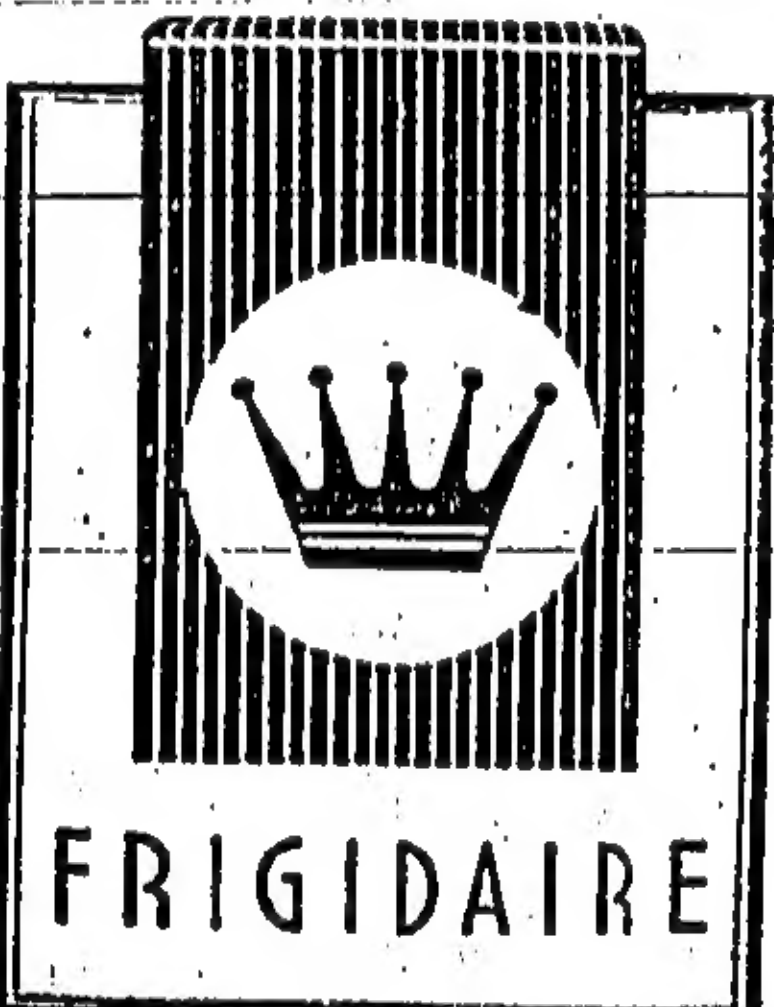
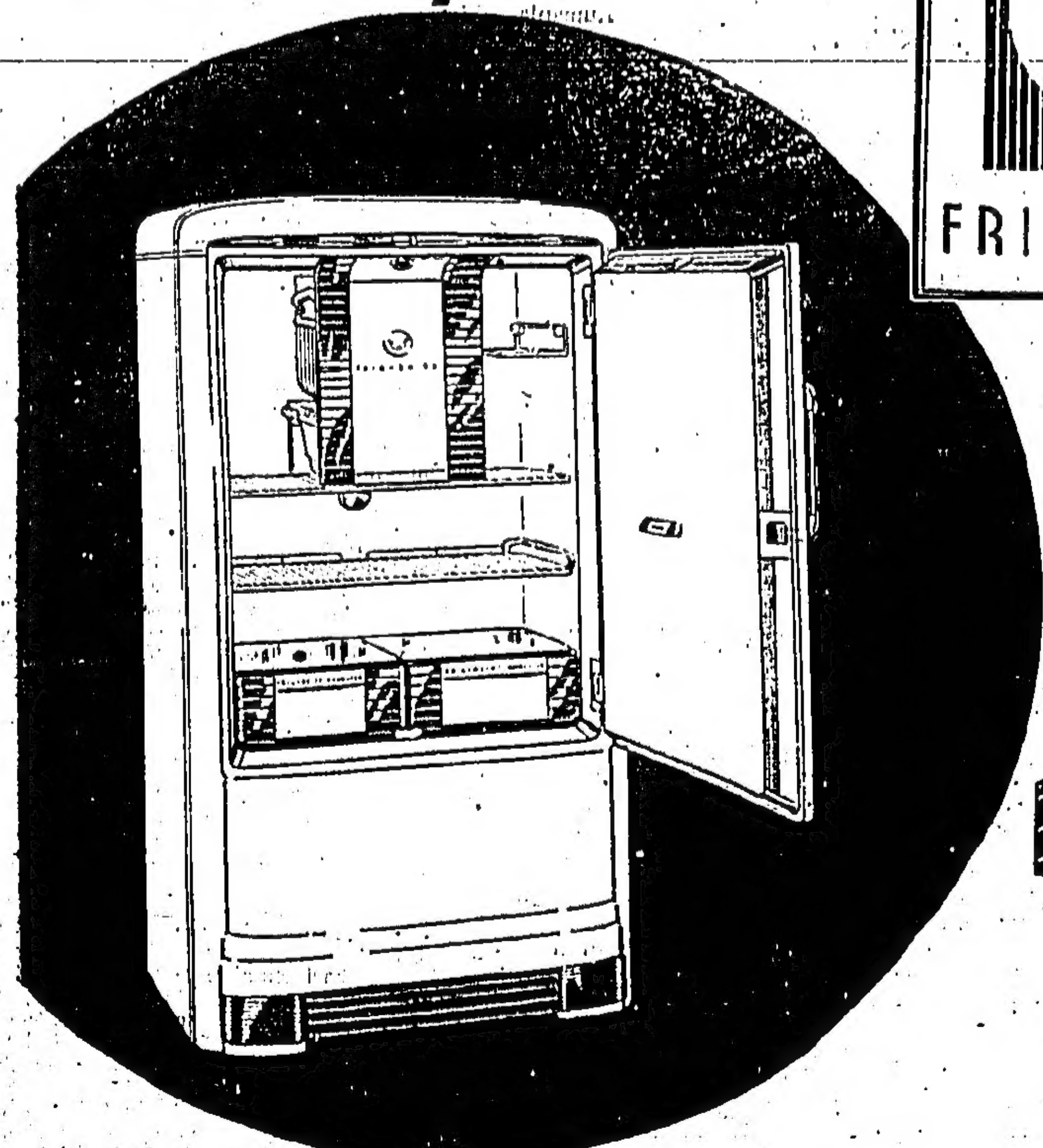
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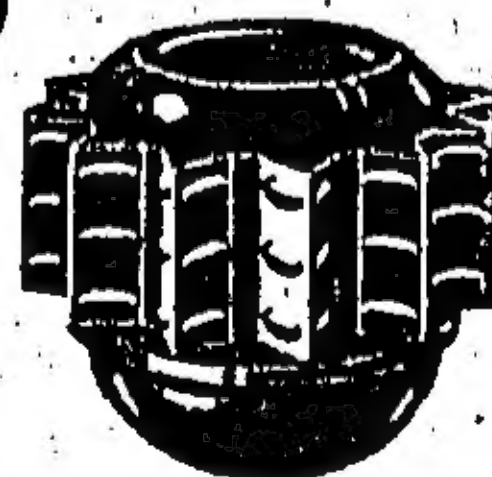


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Complacency

Against the Empires of Britain and France in particular, and the world in general, the hordes of tyranny and oppression have been let loose, and some half a dozen free nations have already been trampled under the heel of Hitlerism, the master mind of which aims at nothing short of world domination. In Great Britain, countless warnings have been issued to the people on the extreme gravity of the situation. It has been clearly and gravely indicated by Mr. Churchill and other Government spokesmen—men who see behind the scenes—that suffering and hardship may be experienced before Germany is crushed. This aspect has again been emphasised this week in the passing within a couple of hours of an Act unprecedented in the history of the Country. Every penny and every ounce of human energy has been conscripted in the service of the State. It speaks volumes for the determination of the people to see the thing through that, although heavily overburdened with taxation, they have willingly accepted the call for the very maximum of sacrifice. They are giving unsparingly of life, energy and money. The great Dominions of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and other parts of the Empire are doing likewise, throwing the whole weight of their resources into the conflict.

The question may well be asked—Is Hongkong really doing her share? Mr. Churchill has warned the nation against the danger of complacency. Something more than the knitting of socks and other garments is required if the Colony is to pull its weight in the colossal struggle now in progress. Ours is indeed a complacent community, so much so that some people even doubt the veracity of the news and try to delude themselves that there is exaggeration. The Colony must apply itself far more earnestly if it wishes to take its stand alongside other Colonies. There is far too much dodging of the real issue, and far too many people selecting their own niche. It would be interesting to know the proportion of key and essential post groups in relation to those who are training in defensive work. The latter is undoubtedly the most important, and let there be no mistake about it. While there may be no call for defensive work in reality in this Colony, every available man should be trained to take the place of the Regular Forces who might be needed elsewhere. Quite a number of those holding key positions, or not aside for essential service work, have nothing to do at the moment, and many of them should be undergoing military training against any emergency. Even cooks and barmen carry arms, and are trained in the use of such, although they may be termed the essential services of the army. Better take stock of ourselves now, rather than carry on as a very complacent little Colony.

KING CAROL'S BIG PROBLEM

SWIFTLY and dramatically the European war scene may shift to the Balkans—and for the first time in several decades the fate and, perhaps, the future of troubled Europe hangs on a royal thread—the blue and robust blood of a Hohenzollern.

So much now depends on Carol: doing it very successfully when whether he is clever enough to out-lure of her tour. It may have been a coincidence that elections were about to be held. Carol knew his mother, and he noted without hesitation. Carol hung in the balance; Marie might throw the election to her supporters and against his candidates.

The whole history of the Balkans has been a series of mistakes, he said to me on my last visit to Rumania. "We cannot survive any more of them."

Above all else, it is Carol's intention to survive. He is capable, and he is willing. He cares nothing for the outside world; only for Rumania. His arrogance is not so much from pride of birth. It is pride of position. From the psychological point of view Carol is a self-made man. He may be King by the grace of God, but the kingdom is of Carol's own fashioning. For decades his garish private life has filled the front pages, while his solid public achievements have remained almost unnoticed.

Carol has been pictured as an international playboy. He has never been anything of the sort. I am not trying to whitewash his character—whitewash steel does not take. Carol is a steel man, and Carol is more nearly a steel man than is Stalin.

THERE is only one simple thing about Carol. That is his inflexible resolve. Everything he has done is the result of that. He intends to get what he wants, all he wants, whether by force or by guile, and under the exact conditions he desires; and his only real passion is the continued existence of an independent Rumania.

He wanted Rumania for his own. He wanted it without the political dynasty of the Bratianu family of Queen Marie's choice. He wanted it without even Queen Marie. He got it.

He wanted his son, Michael, but he didn't want Michael's mother, Helen, to whom he had been married for State reasons. He has Michael, and Princess Helen returned to Greece, later moving to Italy.

He wanted Margareta Lupescu, the Rumanian beauty whom he had met at a ball. He has her, but only as a private matter. If keeping her ever conflicts with keeping Rumania, make no mistake, Madam Lupescu will go.

Carol rules Rumania, and he rules alone. Rumanians are a deeply religious people and Carol is the head of the Church; moreover, he is the active head. He has not, as did the later Russian czars, delegated his authority to a Holy Synod, which might conspire against both his people and himself.

Carol is vain. He loves uniforms, shining sabres, clanking spurs, glittering decorations, gold braid, helmets with feathers. Naturally. After all, he is a Hohenzollern, and every Hohenzollern who ever breathed loved all military display.

But—and this is the important thing to know—Rumanians like uniform and glitter, too. Early in his career Carol found that magnificent uniforms and a number of sparkling decorations were sufficient to flatter generals and politicians alike. In addition, it amused the general public, which enjoyed a continual daily parade of highly ornamental gentlemen bustling to and fro all over the country on Carol's errands.

The same gentlemen might, perhaps, in some sombre clothing have gathered privately to plot against him. Cost of the uniforms and gewgaws is negligible compared to the result, which is spectacular in every sense.

By his own decision Carol made his dramatic airplane flight from exile to take the throne of Rumania from his young son, Michael.

Queen Marie, Carol's mother, had managed Rumania almost single-handed for many years.

One of the most beautiful as well as one of the most intelligent women of her time, granddaughter of the great Queen Victoria of England, Marie was violently pro-British. Unaided, she brought Rumania into the first World War on the Allied side, in spite of her husband's Hohenzollern blood.

Almost unaided, she came away from the treaty tables at Versailles with those rich territories that Russia, Hungary, and Bulgaria now want back.

Marie was a strong character, and she had entrenched her power with a Cabinet and Prime Minister loyal to herself during the brief reign of her grandson, Michael. The Prime Minister, Bratianu, was an old-style politician who knew how to control elections but had no understanding of the part industry and economics play in modern government.

Carol came from exile. He wanted to build his Government on a good sound business policy, and above all a policy directed and controlled entirely by himself. So he promptly suggested that a new long European tour would be delightful for his mother.

He arranged for the details, kissed her good-bye at the station, and went back to clean out her men from his palace and his Ministers. He was

Queen Marie announced that she was tired of her tour. It may have been a coincidence that elections were about to be held. Carol knew his mother, and he noted without hesitation. Carol hung in the balance; Marie might throw the election to her supporters and against his candidates.

Queen Marie's train, complete with kitchen, beauty parlours, hospital to doctors, and a number of attendants, was in Italy. So Carol announced that the visit of the Queen Mother of Rumania to such a friendly neighbour required a larger entourage. Accordingly he was sending her a dozen officers in super-magnificent assorted uniforms. For nearly three months these unwelcome gentlemen kept her from leaving Italy—until after the election had been won by Carol.

Carol has not his mother's sympathetic appeal from the humanitarian point of view. However, he knows his job thoroughly, and it will take that, rather than charm and good intentions, to win the game which Carol has to play against the forces that confront him.

He has a tremendous responsibility to the world which waits upon the fearful chance of his success. But it is not toward the world that Carol feels responsibility. He only feels that to Rumania, and to himself as the symbol of Rumania.

ONCE, when we were driving from his castle at Sinaia to Bucarest, a group of "Stranger" members of the Rumanian Youth Movement saluted him from the roadside. His whole being seemed to become electric with excitement.

"You see," he said, "these youngsters are the spirit of the new Rumania. It is the same from the Danister to the Tisza rivers—the unity of my people. Our boundaries are traced in blood. They will not be altered by anything less than a world cataclysm."

I realised he meant that statement in its most bitter truth. On one side he saw the dangers of Bolshevik Russia, slaving for the return of its Bessarabian province which Queen Marie brought to Rumania from Versailles.

On the other side was Germany, ready to back Hungarian demands for their Transylvania, another bit for their Versailles booty.

Of Bulgaria, too, was looking longingly at her lost lands of Dobruja, that fertile triangle on the shores of the Black Sea, also a Versailles bargain item.

Rumania now holds the three mouths of the Danube River, main trade artery of Central Europe. If Bessarabia should be seized by Russia, then the Bolshevik Soviet State would control the northern mouth, called the Chilla Channel.

So long as the two dictatorships are so diametrically opposed on this point Carol's task is not impossible.

Carol's business and financial triumphs have added to his political dangers. Rumania is a plum that is



The Archduke Franz Josef, author of this article, is brother-in-law of King Carol's sister, Princess Ileana, Archduchess Anton of Habsburg.

between him and his ultimate intentions for Rumania.

HIS sister Ileana, who married my brother Anton, deeply adores her native land. She wanted her first child to be born there, and so my brother flew her to Balice Castle on the Black Sea.

But Carol had suspicions—exactly what, no one ever knew, but evidently quite enough to make him determined that no archduke was going to complicate the dynastic succession to his throne by being born within the borders of his kingdom.

So he sent a Cabinet Minister with the outrageous message to Ileana at Balice that: "Her Imperial Highness could find some of the finest maternity hospitals in the world—in Vienna."

Ileana left. However, she is not without some of Carol's inflexibility, and her son, the Archduke Stefan, was born on Rumanian ground. She arranged for a quantity of earth from Balice to be spread on the floor under the bed in her room in her Austrian castle, and the fact was attested to by the attending physicians, ministers, and State officials on little Stefan's birth certificate.

This was not just an act of petty tyranny, small and despicable though it may appear. It is simply one of an endless number of like incidents, told here because it proves that Carol will not hesitate to use his iron glove even on his own family when he believes the interests of his country are ever so remotely threatened.

This is the man on whom the European spotlight is now focussed; and whatever may be the outcome, his appearance in it will be picturesque—perhaps heroic.

BEHIND THE HEADLINES—by JOHN BLUNT

These notes are written at random during the week—just when the spirit moves. If when they are read they appear to be out of date, the times, and not the writer must bear the blame. I have been ruminating on the vast difference there would be in the world to-day could we but turn back the clock to the days of the sailing ship. The breathlessness, the sensationalism and the contradictions of the present age would vanish. My present vein of thought is borne of a discussion concerning the inevitable conflict of opinions expressed in present day news. Events in the globe within a few minutes of their happening.

The inevitability of confusion is admitted by the Allied Commands. The public has been warned time and time again during the last few weeks that the position is at times obscure. Even if there is some difficulty in sorting out the facts, it is surely advantageous to know the nature of events as they occur, for with such knowledge we are able to assess the possible reactions in our particular sphere. The discussion to which I have referred above dealt with the presentation of news by the newspapers. It was suggested that a toning down was desirable, but that the answer lies in the rapidly with which news is distributed and in the efficiency and competition of the various news agencies.

The public has been educated to look for speed in the dissemination of news. It must be obvious that the world's greatest catastrophe is the world's greatest news, and that the world's greatest news is the world's greatest catastrophe.

They will wish us to know the worst, and be proud when they know we are hearing the best, for it is only by knowing the worst that British people steel themselves to put forward of their best. It is useless to bewail the news as some people do. If the newspapers appear to some people to be in error when they publish unpleasant reading, time alone will be the judge. In the meantime it would be folly to delude

people into thinking that all is well, and in this connection the Press shoulders a great responsibility. Every man in this Colony should face the issue squarely and do his utmost physically, materially or morally, to serve the great Cause of his Country. I am sure that we all have faith in the ultimate issue, but for goodness sake, don't try to look for goodness when it is being registered against us. Remember that it is the last punch that counts.

To change the subject. Maybe I live in a generation of the past, but the glamour of the "Sawdust Ring" still appeals to me. How well I remember the days of Barnum and Bailey's, or "Lord" John Sanger's circus. First of all, there was the colourful procession through the streets—bejewelled ladies mounted on plectral chargers. The band, the cages of wild animals, the elephants—trunks extended to the crowd for buns and other offerings. And then the worrying until we found ourselves inside the great tent. A variety was "Colonel" Bill Cody's Wild West Show—with the "seven rings in action at once" and the final Prairie Stampede. Still an effort is made to perpetuate the glamour of the "sawdust ring"—glamour and all. Such were my thoughts the other evening when I lost myself in reverie as I enjoyed seeing the elephants performing their ludicrous antics. The acrobats, performing wild animals, clowns. A thought for the precarious existence of the troupe. A good show. If we could live again in those inconsequential days when the word "Blaze" was hardly understood, how much happier we all should be.

During the week, a German living in this British Colony, who had failed to report to the Police as required in accordance with local Regulations, was fined five dollars. London papers please copy.



RIFLE SHOOTING MEET.—Above and below are two studies taken at the meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association last week. Top shows Warrant Officer Tolson, R.A.F., receiving the cup for the best aggregate score in the S.H. Class, from Mrs. Feirle. Below a group of visitors and club officials.—Ming Yuen.

ALBUHERRA DAY.—Last week the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment in Hongkong celebrated their famed Albuhera Day. On Friday a dance was held at the Peninsula Hotel in connection with the event, and the above picture (centre) shows one of the big parties which attended the successful function.—Ming Yuen.



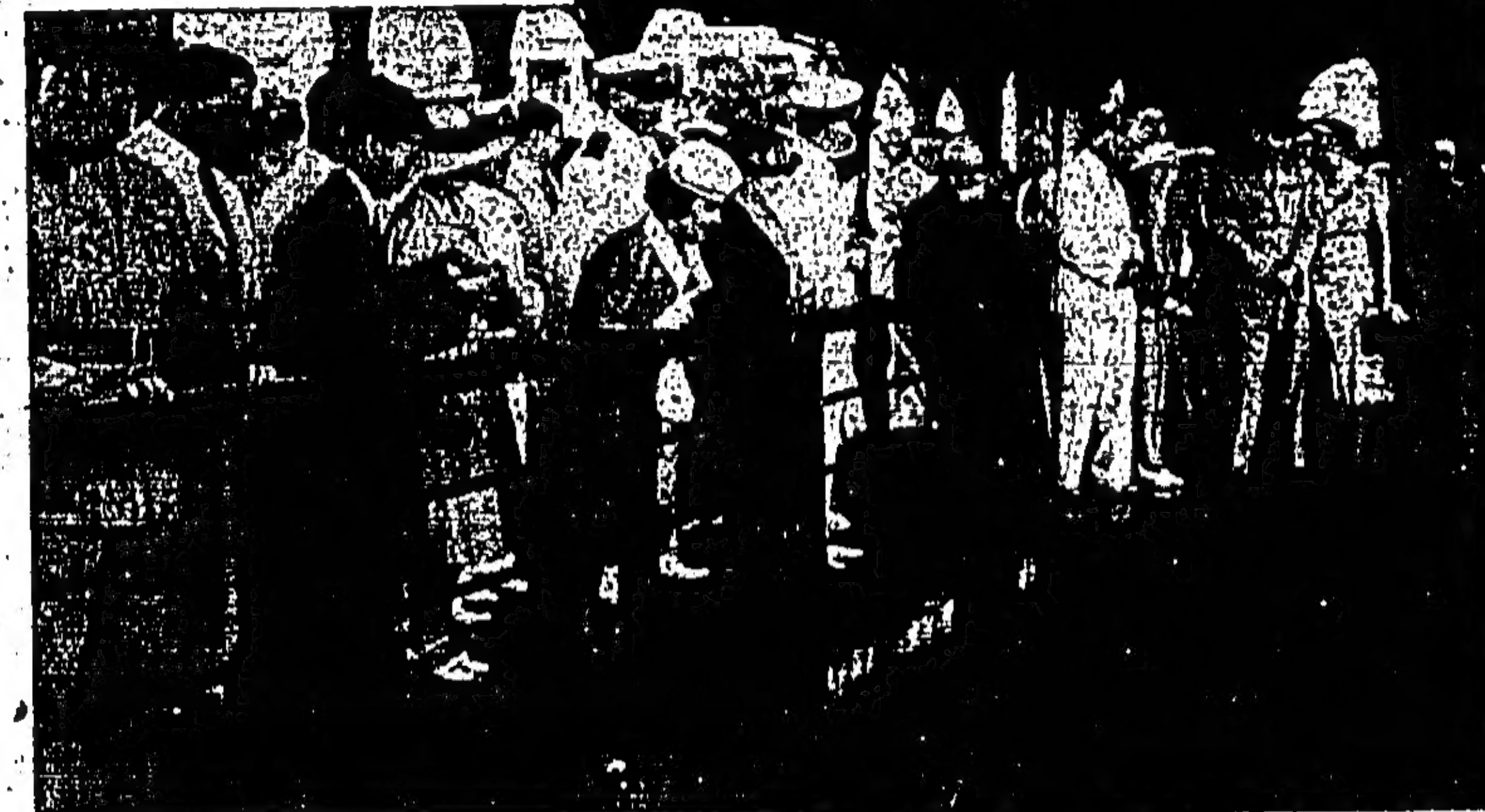
ENTHUSIASTIC MARKSMEN.—Here we see Lieut. Comdr. J. C. M. Grenham, Sub-Lieut. G. J. P. Carey and Cadet Eager of the Naval Volunteer Defence Force who attended the last meeting of the season of the Hongkong Rifle Association.—Ming Yuen.



SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.—A charming pupil of the Heen Yuen School receiving an award from the hands of Mrs. Hall, wife of Bishop Hall of Hongkong, when the school held its third anniversary celebration with sports and a physical training display last Saturday.—Ming Yuen.



FAREWELL.—His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote and Lady Northcote, caught by the camera busily bidding farewell at Queen's Pier before they left on Sunday for a short furlough. The popularity of His Excellency and Lady Northcote was testified by the large attendance of well-wishers, despite the fact that the departure was unofficial.—Ming Yuen.



H.E. THE GOVERNOR LEAVES.—Many Hongkong notabilities both among H.M. Services, the Government Services and civilians were present at Queen's Pier on Sunday morning to bid farewell and bon voyage to His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote when they left on short furlough. Here we see a section of the large crowd taking their last leave of H.E., after he had boarded his launch.—Ming Yuen.



MEDICAL WORKERS HONOURED.—A dinner was given in honour of the British medical delegation to China last week by H.E. Dr. O. T. Wang, President of the National Red Cross Society of China. In this picture we see Dr. Wang, Sir Robert Kotewall, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, in the foreground Mr. Wu Teh-chen and behind him at the same table, Dr. Selwyn-Clarke.—Mayfair Studio.

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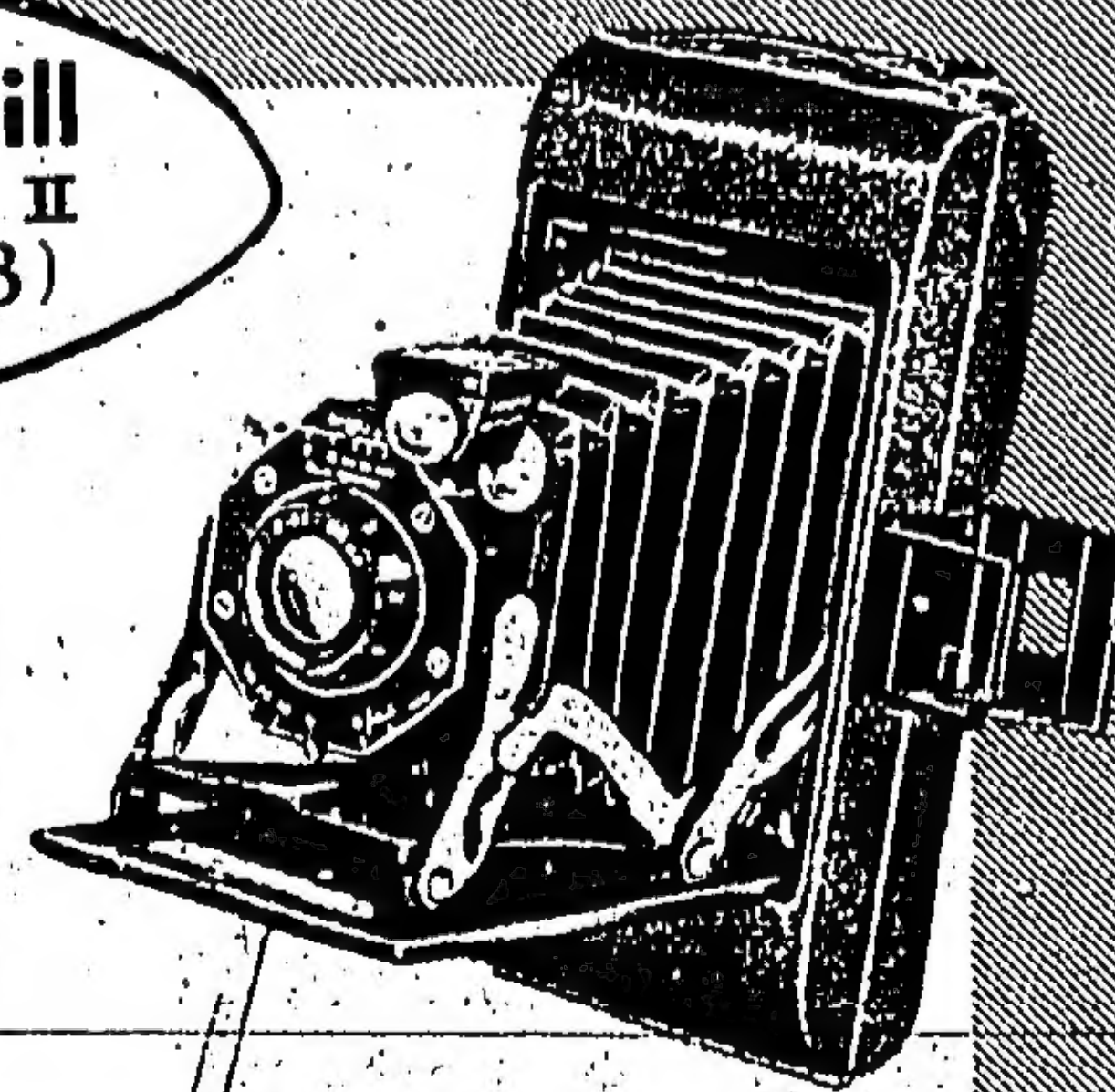


FAMED ACTOR.—A study of Mr. Wai Pak-yik, famous Chinese actor, who plays the part of General Chow in a scene from the Chinese Opera 'The Romance of the Mighty Amazon' which is to be presented at the Tai Ping Theatre on June 1 and 2 under the auspices of the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club.

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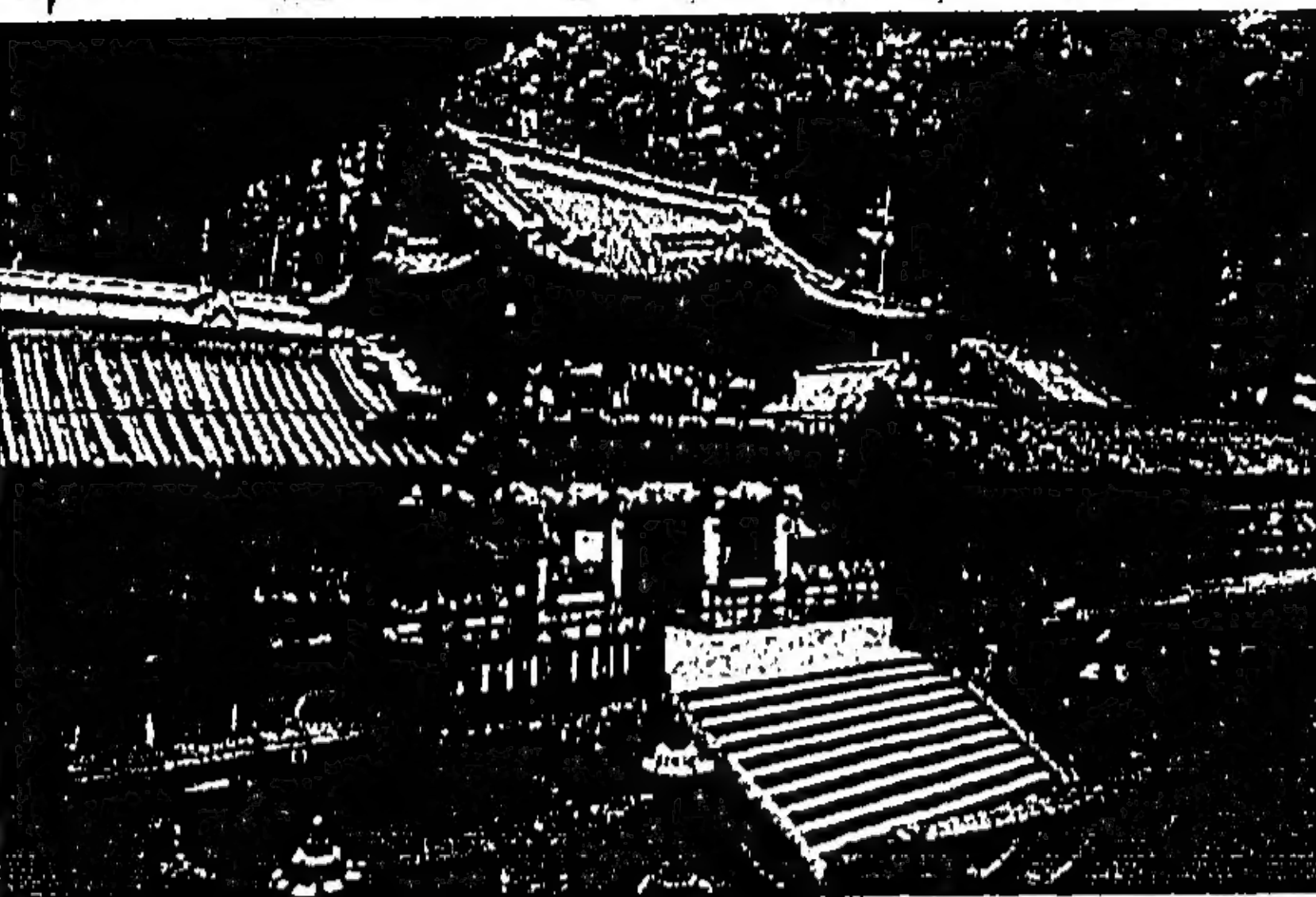
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who lives there . . .

THE Coconut Grove, famous club, looks like keeping its popularity for practically ever. It celebrated its eighteenth birthday the other day.

Keeping up with his own birthday, Ronald Reagan took his almost-new wife, Jane Wyman, to dance among the palm trees. Jane hovers between super sophisticated outfits and little numbers she might have picked up in teen age departments, like the one in white sharkskin and printed linen you see on the right.

Among the hundreds and even thousands of letters the Reagans have received, are receiving, and will receive from the people who want to furnish them with everything from birth to the grave are letters asking for Advice.

IT is mostly Jane who is asked How To Keep a Husband. Admitting she knows but little as yet from personal experience, she did say this: "Don't believe your husband for one second when he tells you that he 'so much prefers you, dear, with no make-up on and just a little housefrock.' He may not know it, but he's really suffering from a buried caveman complex.

"Best tactics is to agree with him and then be so darn clever with make-up and cute little housefrocks that he'll really believe you've taken it to heart."

WE don't know about you, but when we give a party, it's usually a pretty slapdash sort of affair. Chances are we even have to phone our guests to bring cigarettes, soda water or other trivia forgotten in the heat of reporting on some one else's party.

So we would be quick to take off our hat to Mrs. Basil Rathbone for the forthright she expends over the detail and decoration of her parties, only we never wear one in this climate.

Ouida Rathbone not only remembers to order the flowers, she even designs and has executed special effects in which to place them.

As at the dinner party the other night, which she gave for musicalians Rubinstein and Stokowski, there were special glass holders for flowers, made to order in the shape of grand pianos and violins.

The walls of the improvised supper room were decked with silver lace.

Blending into the background, Miss M. Dietrich wore to the party a dress of this same silver lace.

GREER GARSON, who breaks every dress rule ever made for red heads, wore a scarlet dress. Kay Francis was in black with what some one described as "literally tons of emeralds." There were plenty of them at that, but she wore up under the weight.

Sir Victor Sessoon, whom Hollywood rumour has already assessed as the possessor of £100,000,000 (and a bachelor, too, girls), disappointed most of the glamour girls present by spending most of his evening talking, or rather listening, to Charlie Chaplin.

Pauline Goddard, known to some as Mrs. Chaplin, also has an emerald or two, even if they don't run into tons. With a gold dress and elbow-length gold mesh gloves she wears a bracelet and clip of cabochon emeralds made into a flower design with petals and leaves of diamonds.

ASK ME ANOTHER

1. What language is spoken by the largest number of the world's inhabitants? English? German? Spanish? Chinese? Russian?

2. What are the Christian names of the following Shakespearean characters?

(a) The Prince of Denmark? (b) The Merchant of Venice? (c) The Moor of Venice? (d) The Thane of Glamis? (e) The Queen of the Fairies?

3. Can you supply the middle names of the following eminent persons?

(a) Walter — Landon; (b) George — Sala; (c) Edwin — Lankester; (d) Thomas — Macaulay; (e) Charles — Parnell.

4. What sports, or pastimes, are suggested by the following technical terms?

(a) Boogie? (b) Puck? (c) Dedunn? (d) Stalemate? (e) Gold? 5. Who said:

(a) "There's nothing like eating hay when you're faint."

(b) "Rule forty-two: All persons more than a mile high to leave the court."

(c) "What I tell you three times is true."

6. Can you name, in order of brightness, the five brightest stars? [Note: Planets are not to be included.]

7. What were the real names of:

(a) Boz? (b) Michael Angelo Tilmarch? (c) Mark Twain? (d) George Elliot? (e) Currer Bell?

8. Which of the following are musical instruments?

(a) psalter; (b) clavicle; (c) tuber; (d) spinet; (e) tomboia; (f) tympani.

9. Here is a short story:

"At Mrs. — party there were present, among others, the second Mrs. — and the notorious Mrs. —. Among other subjects discussed were Mrs. — profession and the last of Mrs. —."

The phrases in italics are the names of five famous plays. Can you supply the missing words?

ARE you, honoured sir and respected madam, curious about yourself? Can you say with any assurance: "I am an ideal wife," or "I am an ideal employer," or "I am a model husband"?

Each week—in a new Question Time feature—I'm going to try you out on a different subject. Below are eight questions. Gather your friends and family round—make them answer honestly "Yes" or "No" to each. A key below answers—Are you an ideal host?

1. When you have visitors, do you apologise for absent luxuries—beer, coffee, cigars, etc.?

2. Do you draw attention to the excellence of the entertainment you're offering them?

3. If a guest breaks something, do you pretend not to notice?

4. After introducing two people, do you leave them immediately?

5. Do you devote most of your attention to your guest of honour?

6. Do you leave shy people to their own devices?

7. Do you bridge conversational lulls by asking leading questions?

8. Do you remember your guests' interests and occupations?

Lightning Quiz

AND now, while your pencils are still poised, a lightning quiz. You should do it inside five minutes.

1. What boy has recently been elected King, Chief Priest, and God of his country?

2. Say what is different between (a) wryneck, (b) rubberneck, (c) roughneck, (d) horse's neck, (e) necking?

3. Who was Valentino's vamp in "The Sheik"?

4. Where am I using the word luff correctly? (a) Her dress had a luff just above the placket hole; (b) "Luff her!" yelled the bosun; (c) "Luff her as though you meant it!" yelled the film director; (d) Bales of cotton are bound round with luff twine.

5. What are the Seven Seas?

6. Who was the youngest man ever to be chosen as President of the U.S.?

7. Fill in the missing titles of (a) The . . . of Plaza Toros; (b) George Sanger; (c) Tom Thumb.

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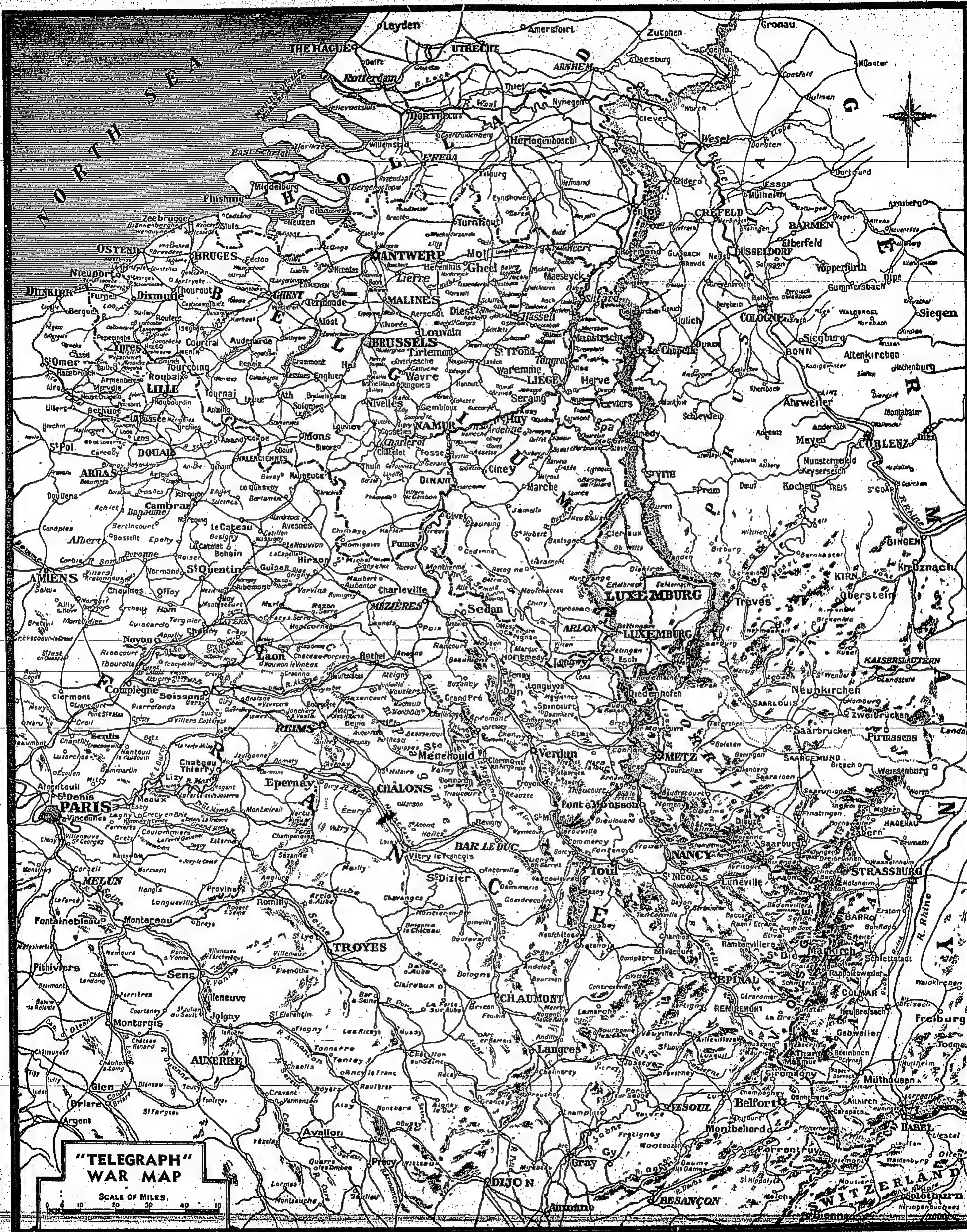
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SCHOOL DISPLAY.—Among those who attended the prize distribution at the Aberdeen Industrial School last Saturday were Sir Robert Ho Tung and the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North. Here we see the Hon. Mr. North being escorted to the school between a guard of honour provided by the students.—Yuen Chun Studio.

WEDDING.—Two prominent Chinese families were united at the Registry last week, when Miss Lau Pui-kong became the bride of Mr. Tong Chi-ling. Here is the bridal group photographed after the ceremony.—Ming Yuen.

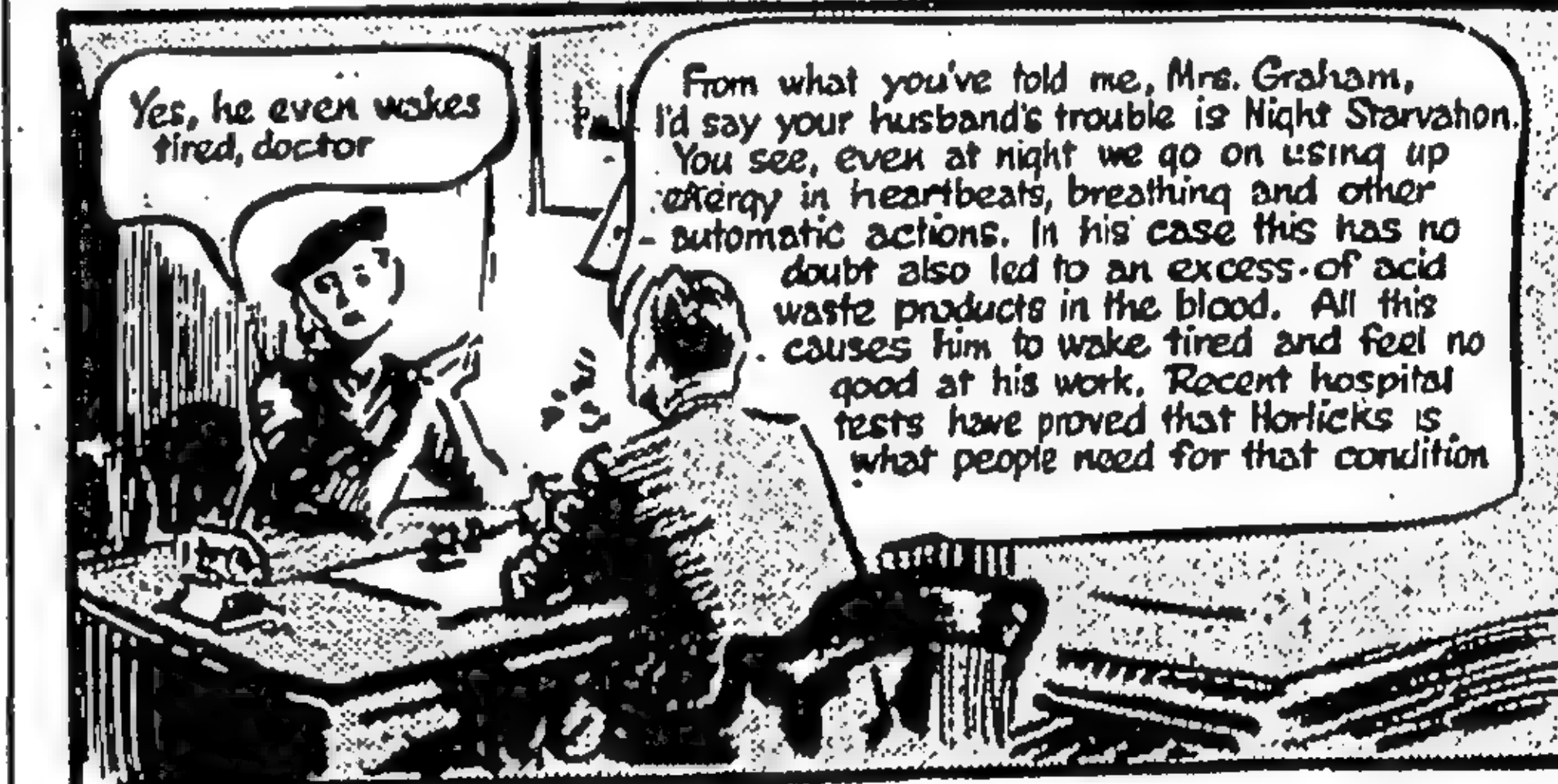
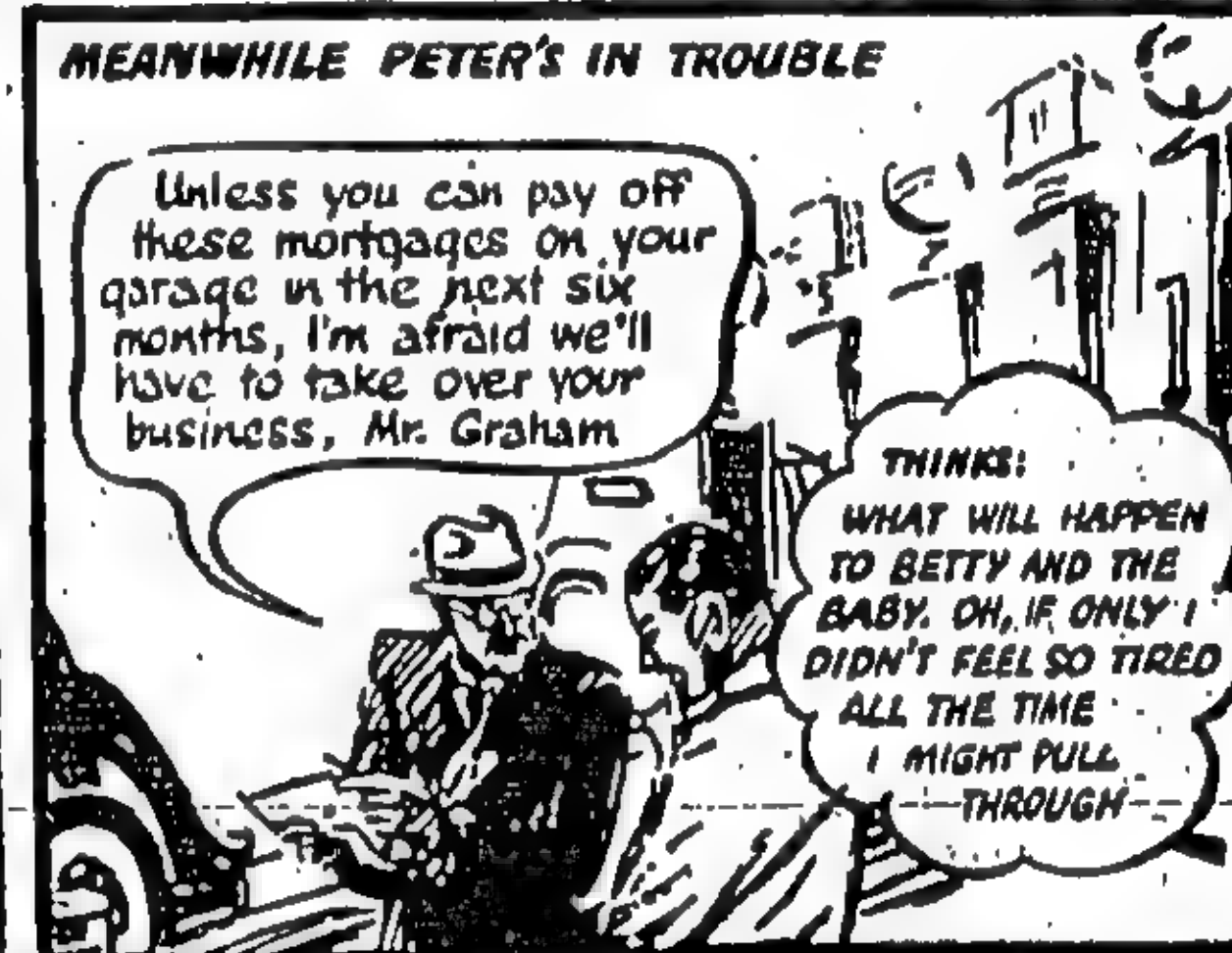


CHAMPIONS.—No. 14 Platoon of D. Company, the 1st Batt. the Middlesex Regiment, winners of the inter-platoon football competition for the season just ended. With the team is Captain T. W. Chattoy.—Ming Yuen.



SCHOOL STAFF.—Latest photograph taken of the Principal and teaching staff of the St. Stephen's Girls' School. Seated in the centre is Miss E. Atkins, the Principal of the school.—Ming Yuen.

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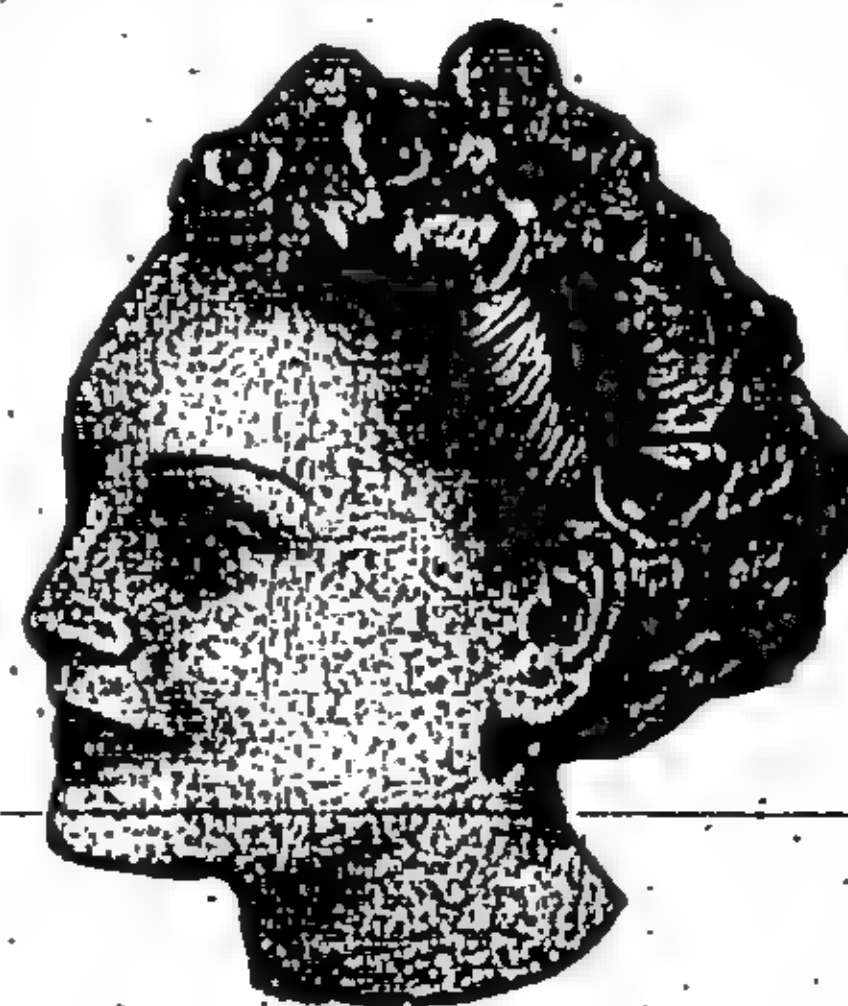
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Rollicking Play At K. C. C.

Outstanding Success Of Initial Venture

A large audience was left in high spirits at the K.C.C. last night after the initial presentation of the rollicking three-act play "Orders Are Orders" by Ian Hay and Anthony Armstrong. Colourful and amusing acting made the first night a tremendous success, and it will be surprising if the public does not demand repeat performances after the final curtain to-night.

For many of the cast it was their first venture on the amateur "legitimate" boards, but a well-balanced cast included a number of well-seasoned players, whose experience made an important contribution to the success of the show.

Many Highlights

There are many highlights in this competent cast. Jane Weller gives a finely sustained performance as a hard-boiled American film actress, and her efforts are particularly effective in the early stages of the play when some of the less experienced players are inclined to be feeling their way.

R. T. Burch has a monumental task as the irrepressible Ed. Wagoner, go-getting U.S. film director, but he tackles it with obvious relish, and, in his own idiom, "clicks 100 per cent."

Willie Simpson and Vic Labrum fully realise expectations in their roles of Private Slick and Private Goffin respectively, and help to maintain the fast tempo of hilarity from the opening curtain. Their real triumph is when they adorn themselves as members of some obscure tribe of African natives. They, and Mr. Vic Manak, who makes them up, deserve full honours for the effort.

Bill Colledge plays engagingly as Captain Harper, whose love affairs are the primary cause of the temporary disintegration of British army barracks life, and some neat sketches are contributed by the lady players, Peggy Stoneman, Nan Moodie, Peggy Sharp, and Violet Trimmer.

Ernest Perry and Bob Leigh both take triple roles and perform with great capability. Leigh, in fact, well nigh steals the last act with his performance as Sgt. Major Spurway.

It brought the house down last night. Willie Robertson is, perhaps not typical of Colonels in the British army, but certainly typical of the type of Colonels which fiction writers like to draw, and as a result his performance is both adequate and stimulating. The same can be said of W. E. Kirby's vignette of the Major-General, whose untimely visit to the barracks provides a fitting climax to a first-rate show.

Cecil Houghton as producer has made an excellent job of work, and appeal is also due to his many and able assistants, including Captain A. H. Martin the stage manager, A. Spary (lighting), Victor Manak (make-up) and T. W. Carr (business manager). Messrs. S. Moutie and Co. provided the amplifier and records, and Messrs. Lane Crawford the scenery in the first act.

The cast follows:
 Lieut. Marriot Ernest Perry
 Lance Corporal Martin Ernest Perry
 Private Slick Willie Simpson
 Private Goffin Vic Labrum
 Captain Harper Bill Colledge
 Lieutenant Brooke Bob Leigh
 Private Smithers Bob Leigh
 A. S. Benson G. G. Davies
 Lieut. Merrivale G. G. Davies
 Veronica Bellamy Peggy Sharp
 Constable Zille Nan Moodie
 Capt. Delamere Peggy Sharp
 Captain (G.D.) Ledger Walter Weston
 Wanda Falska Jane Weller
 Ed. Wagoner R. T. Burch
 Rupert Baines Willie Robertson
 Miss Marfield Violet Trimmer
 Major-General Sir Culbert W. E. Kirby
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HOLLAND JOINS STERLING BLOC

Guilder Cross-Rate To Be Maintained

WASHINGTON, May 24 (Reuters).—In advising Mr. Sumner Welles, the U.S. Under-Secretary of State, that the Netherlands Government had joined the Anglo-French monetary agreement, the Netherlands Minister added that the trade between the Netherlands, Indies and countries forming the sterling bloc "would be effected at the official rate of exchange which was fixed at 7.60 guilders to the pound sterling."

Gold Dollar Level

Dr. Louden, the Netherlands Minister, added that the U.S. dollar would be maintained at an average level of 1.67 guilders.

He also stated that preparatory measures were being taken to assure that exports destined for countries outside the orbit of the Agreement would be fully maintained, but payment would have to be effected either in United States dollars or any other foreign currency approved by the Bank of Java.

AUSTRALIANS FOLLOW LEAD

CANBERRA, May 24 (Reuters).—The Australian Prime Minister announced that Director-General of Munitions Supply has the whole of the Australian industry at his disposal.

He can act without precedence. His task will be to ensure the maximum production in the minimum time.

There are no restrictions placed on him, and he holds the widest authority.

Nine Communist newspapers have been banned in Australia.

Rounding Up The Suspects

Britain Guards Against Fifth Columnists

LONDON, May 24 (Reuters).—Further action against fifth columnists and other enemies of the state is being taken.

Two more fascists are reported to have been arrested in Manchester. The London District Committee of the Communist Party announced that the Home Secretary has prohibited a meeting scheduled for Sunday afternoon at Trafalgar Square.

In Londonderry, 12 men have been arrested. They are believed to be members of the I.R.A. in Belfast.

On Thursday night, 78 I.R.A. suspects were taken into custody.

Fifth Column in Cairo

CAIRO, May 24 (Reuters).—The police here have located a secret radio transmitter which is putting out German propaganda. Several foreigners have been arrested. Investigations are proceeding.

G-Men Aid In U.S.

WASHINGTON, May 24 (UP).—The Department of Justice plans to add 100 more G-men to the 150 already employed in combating the fifth column in the United States.

50,000 PILOTS A YEAR

WASHINGTON, May 24 (Reuters).—Plans to give basic training of pilots to 50,000 men in the year beginning July 1 were disclosed by President Roosevelt at a Press conference.

The President added that Congress would be asked for a supplementary appropriation to handle the pilot programme.

Men taking the course will be drawn from schools, colleges and many citizens holding pilot's licences, and from men between the ages of 18 and 25 who are not in college but who desire training in aviation.

HONOURS LIST PUBLICATION

LONDON, May 24 (Reuters).—It is officially announced that the publication of the Honours List, which would in the ordinary course have taken place on the day appointed for observance of the King's birthday (June 13), is necessarily postponed for a few weeks owing to the change in administration.

VICTORY IS THE ONLY GOAL

LONDON, May 24 (Reuters).—In a personal message to the men registering for service to-morrow, Mr. Ernest Davis, Minister of Labour, says, "In this grave hour when our very existence, the future of our nation, your homes and loved ones are at stake, the call comes to you to take your stand side by side with your gallant comrades and with them to play a decisive part in the greatest struggle in our history—and our people."

"There is but one goal before us—victory. To this mighty task in fortune or adversity we will dedicate ourselves unceasingly. We at Home will spare no effort to supply and back you in every possible way."

German Arrested In England

LONDON, May 24 (Reuters).—The authorities have detained Captain Franz von Rintelen, head of the German secret service in the United States during the last war.

"After the war, Capt. von Rintelen settled in England. He had applied for naturalisation."

Other Arrests
 LONDON, May 24 (Reuters).—An additional 21 men and four women were arrested in the London area today. Most of them are understood to be connected with the British Union of Fascists.

CANBERRA, May 24 (Reuters).—Australia has given an undertaking that the war will not affect the status quo of the Netherlands East Indies, stated the Australian Minister for External Affairs to-day. A similar undertaking, he said, had been given by Japan.

HONGKONG SHIPYARD TO BUILD BRIGANTINE

Undaunted by the loss of his ill-fated yacht Elvira, Mr. A. Carmelo, the Mexican Consul in Manila has now ordered a larger sailing vessel, a brigantine through Mr. E. S. Moses of Hongkong. Mr. Carmelo is at present on a visit to Hongkong.

A brigantine is a two-masted vessel, square-rigged like a brig, but with fore-and-aft mainsail and raking masts. Mr. Carmelo's new craft is of the following dimensions:—Length over all, 66 ft. 10 in.; beam 15 ft. and draught 6 ft. 3 in.

She will be fitted with Diesel auxiliary power of about 40/50 h.p. The designs of the brigantine are from the board of Mr. Murray G. Peterson, of Melbourne, Mass., U.S.A., well known naval architect and designer of schooners.

Although the brigantine will look like an old fashioned ship she will be luxuriously fitted out. She will have accommodation for a party of 10 with crew quarters for four and she will be fitted throughout with electric lighting, radio and refrigerator. The vessel will thus be very comfortable for extended cruises.

Mr. Carmelo has decided to name his new craft the "Nuestra Señora de Paz" (Our Lady of Peace), the Patron Saint of Sailing in the Philippines, whose statue will be used as a figurehead.

In building this new ship, Mr. Carmelo is following in the footsteps of his grandfather who owned a fleet of brigantines, which traded between the Philippines and Mexico.

This new ship will be built in shipyard under the care of Mr. Tam Tsz, the master builder in charge of the building of the ship Orient for the M. O. Shan, built for Squadron Leader Francis of the R.A.F.

LETTERS

Erbert Iggs' And The Fifth Column

To The Editor, "The Hongkong Telegraph."—dear mister editor, a bloke was arsking me the other day why I don't see no fifth column in the hongkong telegraph any more.

I sed people was sayin the sencer mine aint no fifth column guvnor wot arskt me argus still on is perch and robbly macquiter chewin agils and little ole vinegar wot rites abart pickels why aint one of them no. 5—I arskt yer.

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but I don't spect theres any fifth columns in hongkong do yu mister editor ecurrense evrybody erd seerns e be doing their bit in fack sum of em is doin more than their bit

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cor stone me sideways I cannt understand why sum hongkong people aint in the cabinet yu only got ter ere em work ter find ar they knows wots wot wen is cum ter fightin wars I spects they must ave ad experience in the spot of bother about 1914

its a blinkin shame though wot hongkong people as ter put up wiv jest imagin wot yu would feel like sposhin yu ad a lot of these er shares an flings

an wot abart the pore lides wot as ter pack up plain bridge an flings fer war work

onest mister editor I feels sure little ole ilder cannt know wot arship e is inflectin on hongkong unkerwise e would pack up the blinkin war an go in fer keepin rabbits

no sir there aint no fifth columns in hongkong yu can collum wot yu like

erbert iggs
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"MAGNIFICENT" PATRIOTISM

LONDON, May 24 (Reuters).—A "New York Times" editorial on Britain's dictatorship says that Britain's Labour has risen to a magnificent patriotism on the present occasion.

It was the leader of the Labour Party himself who introduced the Bill, which takes out of the hands of special groups of workers the power to insist on their own conditions of labour as it takes out of the hands of capitalists the power to control their own property.

Canada's Latest Precautions

OTTAWA, May 24 (Reuters).—The Canadian Government has taken all possible precautions against fifth columnists.

The Minister of Justice has announced that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police have control of the situation and that all known enemies of the State have been interned.

BELFAST, May 24 (Reuters).—Lord Craigavon, the Prime Minister of Ulster, announces that a big army recruiting drive is to be started in northern Ireland.

Mr. P. C. Fairbairn has been appointed to be an Acting Sub-Lieutenant in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Forces.

Mr. W. H. Whitaker has been appointed to an Acting Assistant Censor.

Encouraging Trade Unions

Important Wages Bill Drafted

In 1932 the Hongkong Government passed a bill fixing minimum wages in certain trades. The Bill has never been invoked, and to-day the Government "Gazette" contains a new draft bill which is to replace the 1932 measure, whereby Trade Boards can be established to fix minimum wages.

It is explained in the objects and reasons that the 1932 Ordinance was short and simple. It does not appear to envisage the fixing of any wage other than a minimum time rate, and it contains no reference to piece rates or hours of employment. Neither is any machinery provided for enforcing the payment of approved minimum wages fixed under the Ordinance.

The present Bill follows closely certain provisions of the Trade Boards Acts of 1909 and 1918. Power to fix minimum wages remains with the Governor in Council, but a Trade Board on which employers and employees shall be equally represented, together with members of the public, is substituted for a Board of Commissioners as the machinery for inquiry and report in each case.

Encouraging Trade Unions

In pursuance of the policy of encouraging the organisation of responsible trade unions, it is considered desirable and feasible that representatives of workers should function as members of the public in substituted machinery for inquiry and report in each case.

Provision in the new bill is made for the fixing of time-rates, piece-rates and overtime rates. Payment by piece rates is common in local industries.

Following the Home Acts, adequate provision is made for the enforcement of minimum rates, but the Labour Officer's consent for prosecution is required.

The bill has been prepared by the Labour Officer, Mr. H. R. Butters.

Among other provisions, the bill states women shall be eligible to serve on Trade Boards as well as men. The chairman of a Trade Board shall be the Labour Officer or such public officer as the Governor may appoint.

All members shall be appointed by the Governor, but the employers and workers may nominate representatives for appointment, subject to the Governor's approval, as representative members.

Every Trade Board shall recommend a minimum rate of wages for time-work in their trade, and may also recommend for their trade:—Where Minimum Rates Will Apply

A minimum rate of wages for piece work; a minimum time rate, which shall not be higher than the general minimum time-rate, to apply to workers employed on piece-work for the purpose of securing to such workers a minimum rate of remuneration on a time work basis, a minimum rate, whether time-rate or piece-rate, to apply in substitution for the minimum rate which would otherwise be applicable, in respect of hours worked in any week—any day in excess of the number of hours considered by the Trade Board to be the normal number of hours per week or for that day. This is referred to as an "overtime rate."

Penalties are fixed for not paying wages in accordance with the minimum rate which has been made obligatory. The offender is liable to summary conviction and a fine in each case not exceeding \$250, and to a fine not exceeding \$50 for each day on which the offence is continued after conviction.

Another clause provides that where a worker in any trade is a person to whom a minimum rate of wages applies, is an apprentice or learner, it shall not be lawful for his employer to receive directly, or indirectly from him, or on his behalf, any payment by way of premium.

WOULD SELL TO US ON CREDIT

LONDON, May 24 (Reuters).—The "New York Times" reports the Gallup Poll on May 15 as finding that 51 per cent. would sell planes to the Allies on credit supplied by the United States Government if the Allies were unable to pay cash.

Defence Reserve Notifications

Messrs. W. H. Jowit and J. W. Farquhar have been permitted to quit the Hongkong Defence Reserve.

Mr. L. W. Wallin has been enrolled in the Key Posts Group of the Hongkong Defence Reserve.

Mr. A. Williamson has been enrolled in the Constabulary Group of the Hongkong Defence Reserve.

Townsend Bill Is Returned

WASHINGTON, May 24 (Reuters).—Leaders of the House of Representatives have agreed to return the Townsend Silver Bill to the Senate next week.

The Bill has already been approved by the Senate, and as the result of the House returning it the Bill will probably be buried for the remainder of the session.

Dr. G. W. Pope, L.M.S., L.R.C.P., has been appointed to be a Registrar, Officer and Inspector of Emigrants.

Sky Signs In Hongkong

Legislation To Be Introduced

Powers to issue licences for the erection of sky signs or similar advertisements, and to make by-laws for the control of advertisements is to be transferred from the Governor in Council to the Urban Council, according to the provisions of an amended bill to the Advertisements Regulation Ordinance of 1912.

The draft bill is published in today's "Gazette," and it is stated that it is felt undesirable that the Governor in Council who is the licensing authority should be troubled with the examination of the numerous points of detail arising from applications for the erection of advertisements. Moreover, the control of advertisements which in some cases effect injuriously the amenities of the locality is work eminently suitable for control by a body such as the Urban Council.

Right Of Appeal
 The chairman of the Urban Council replaces both the Director of Public Works and the Commissioner of Police as the authority to authorise the removal of advertisements which do not comply with the law.

The power of appeal granted under clause 6 is similar to that possessed by aggrieved persons under the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance and the Buildings Ordinance. It is considered expedient to extend this right of appeal to the present Ordinance.

Queen's Escape From Nazis

Frustrates Scheme To Hold Her As Hostage

LONDON, May 24 (Reuters).—Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, in a statement in London to-day, told of the Nazi scheme to take her as hostage to paralyse Dutch resistance.

She said she had decided it was her duty to frustrate the attempts of the enemy to take possession of her person as soon as it became apparent that these attempts could not be definitely checked.

"Je Maintiendrai"
 After referring to the new duties which she had assumed, the Queen added: "Assisted by my Government, I shall try to acquit myself in this task. Je Maintiendrai. (I Shall maintain.)"

That tradition, which I could not worthily nor effectively carry on as a captive of the enemy, I shall for ever cherish and hold high."

Food Control In N. T.

Amended Ordinance Is Drafted

In order to make the manufacture and sale of food in the New Territories subject to some manner of control on the lines of that exercised by the Urban Council in Hongkong, Kowloon and New Kowloon, an amended bill has been prepared, and is published in the "Gazette" to-day which enables the Governor in Council to make rules for the maintenance of public health in relation to food in the New Territories.

Clause two of amended bill provides for the inclusion of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance of 1935 in section 6a (1) of the principal Ordinance, and this gives certain control over food in the New Territories. However, it is pointed out that it is not practicable at present to apply in rural areas the same laws and regulations as apply to urban areas.

Princess Victoria Casualty List

LONDON, May 24 (Reuters).—The Admiralty announces that the casualties on the mine-sweeper, Princess Victoria, which was sunk on May 21, were:

Four officers and 32 ratings missing, presumed dead. Seven officers and three ratings wounded. The casualties include Capt. J. B. E. Hall.

Nazi-Bulgarian Trade Pact

SOFIA, May 24 (Reuters).—A German trade mission headed by Dr. Ludwig, Director of the German Trade Ministry, has successfully completed trade negotiations with Bulgaria with results satisfactory to both sides, say a communique issued here.

The German mission is flying back to Berlin to-morrow.

ACTING D.P.W.

Mr. H. J. Pearce, M.C., M. INST. STRUCT. E., L.R.I.B.A., has been temporarily appointed to be a Member of the Legislative Council during the absence on leave of Mr. A. D. Purves, M. INST. C.E.

Mr. Pearce has also been appointed to act as Director of Public Works during the absence on leave of Mr. Purves.

"It's a good thing"

she said "you're not like my brother."

He never makes friends with people."

HE SAID

"I should say it depends on the people, fate was very kind to me when I noticed you looking for a cigarette."



SHE SAID

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Without much trouble you should be able to find, around the house, the things you want—cardboard, glue, tape and buttons.

First cut out, carefully, the head in the big drawing. Stick it on to a piece of thin cardboard, and then cut round the cardboard, too, taking care to leave a piece for his neck, as you see in the small drawing. Colour it with paints or crayons. Stick on some black wool to make Pinocchio's hair, and, if you can find it, stick a real feather in his cap.

NOW you come to making the body. Stick, neatly, white paper on to the four sides of a matchbox, and paint on it Pinocchio's jacket and pants in bright colours. Don't forget his bow tie—or you can make a bow of material and stick it on if you like. Now tuck his neck into the top of the matchbox and stick it firmly.

Uncle Eddie's Competition

Dear Kiddies,
I am sure you will be most interested in making the Pinocchio puppet according to directions given in the next column. Pinocchio is a very lovable little fellow and, if you make a copy of him this week-end, I am sure you will have such fun making him dance on his home-made stage in your own homes. However, some of you may not have time to settle down and make a copy of Pinocchio. So, if you like, send your picture and send it to me. We will have a competition on these lines. Colour the Pinocchio picture as gaily as you can with your paints or crayons. Fill in the name, age and address coupon which is given below. Send your entries to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph," Wyndham Street before 3 p.m. on Wednesday. Three prizes will be given—one for the best colouring in each age section.

Uncle Eddie

Name

Address

Age

CHILDREN'S STORY

EARLY ROBIN FINDS A HOME

THE sun was so warm that all the snow had begun to melt, and Timothy Chatter-Elf thought that spring had come. It was too warm to use his birch bark skis or the skates the fairies had given him. It was so warm that his mother had let him go out with only three of his six thistle-down sweaters on.

He looked around him and thought how nice it would be to see the green grass again, after all the snow had melted. Just then he heard a chirrupy sort of song coming from the hemlock tree above his head. That was not Blue Jay. Blue Jay was a very fine bird, but he did not have an especially beautiful singing voice.

Timothy looked hard at the hemlock tree. Then he saw a flash of reddish orange. "A robin!" he cried out loud. "A robin already!"

"Yes, here I am—hello," called out the robin from his perch. "Aren't you back from the South a bit early?" asked Timothy.

"Alas, yes," said the robin sadly. "I didn't expect to see so much snow still on the ground. And my last year's nest that I left in the crotch of a maple tree above the brook, is full of snow, so how can I use it? Where shall I sleep?"

Timothy had never thought of anyone not having a place to sleep. "But you must have somewhere to sleep," he said quickly. "Let me think a bit."

When Timothy began to think, he knew that there was just one thing to do.

"Come with me into the tunnels under the hemlock tree," he said to the robin. "That is where all the Chatter-Elves sleep. My mother will surely find a place where you can stay until the snow melts from your nest."

The robin was very grateful and followed Timothy down into his tunnel.

nel, which the fireflies kept light so that all the Chatter-Elves could see.

"I've slept in bushes, I've slept in trees, But never in tunnels such as this!"

chirped Robin as they went along. Timothy's mother was very glad to fix some soft grass for Robin to sleep on, and she invited him to stay with them as long as he liked.

One morning Robin said to Timothy, "You are all so kind to me that I don't want to seem ungrateful. But it is so very warm in these tunnels. I like colder weather. I think I shall just fly over to-day and see if the snow has melted out of my nest. Would you like to come with me?"

"Yes, indeed," said Timothy, who always loved to take a ride. "And I have an idea. We'll ask my father if we can take his snow shovel along. Perhaps I could shovel the snow out of your nest if there is any left there now."

So, off they hurried to find Timothy's father and borrow the shovel.

A True Story

Sweet Sultan

SWEET Sultan was a large London pigeon who came flying every evening across the city roofs to gobble up the crumbs left for him on a certain window sill.

The ledge was one of many in a crowded street, but the bird always alighted on it without making any mistake, and was always very punctual indeed. He would look at his food brightly for a moment or two, then out would shoot his long neck, and in a couple of seconds he had bolted every crumb and was flying away again.

One evening, however, when he arrived at exactly the right minute,

Girls' and Boys' Corner

Lots of entries were received for last week's "A-Maze-ing" competition. The prize-winners are:—

Norman Hellewick (aged 12), 43, Morrison Hill Road, 2nd Floor.

Kan Siu-ching (aged 10), 1, Eastern Terrace.

June McMahon (aged 7½), 27A, Robinson Road.

Coupons have been sent to Norman, Kan Siu-ching and June which I want them to bring to the "Hongkong Telegraph" office in Wyndham Street. The coupons will then be exchanged for money prizes.

Specially commended for excellent work are the following: Seniors: Wong Kwok-lam, Joan Gordon, Luigi Ribeiro, Cheung Ping, Kan Siu-ling, S. Hardoon, Douglas Ho, George Wong, Margaret Alves, Ghazi Khan, N. da Silva, G. Singh, G. Yvanovich, Daniel Tsang, Alice Lee, Andrew Koo, Muriel MacIntyre, Eileen Brown, James Nelson, H. F. Le.

Intermediates: Joan Andrews, Dawood Bux, Shirley Toul, Anthony Cutcher, John Hardoon, C. Oakenfull, M. Louise, Phillip Le Fevre, Lionel Xavier, P. Wong, Alan Dobbs, David Asche.

Juniors: Margaret Kloss, J. Xavier, Ghafoor Bux, G. Hudson, Gerald Marshall, Henry Leung.

For this week's competition please refer to the story of Pinocchio above.

Uncle Eddie

A Girl With A Chisel

A 17-YEARS-OLD brunette was accused of housebreaking at Liverpool recently.

She was Joan Marjorie No-lan, an under-presser, of Waldgrave-road, Liverpool, and she was remanded on bail on two charges of housebreaking.

Mr. E. H. Sidgreaves (prosecuting) said that in one instance the allegation was that she went into the tool shed and, after selecting a chisel, with which she forced open the kitchen window, tore down a black-out curtain and entered the house.

When the girl was seen by Detective Constable Warriner, he added she was wearing a coat stolen at the first house. She took the detective to her home and brought down from her bedroom a pair of shoes and a blouse.

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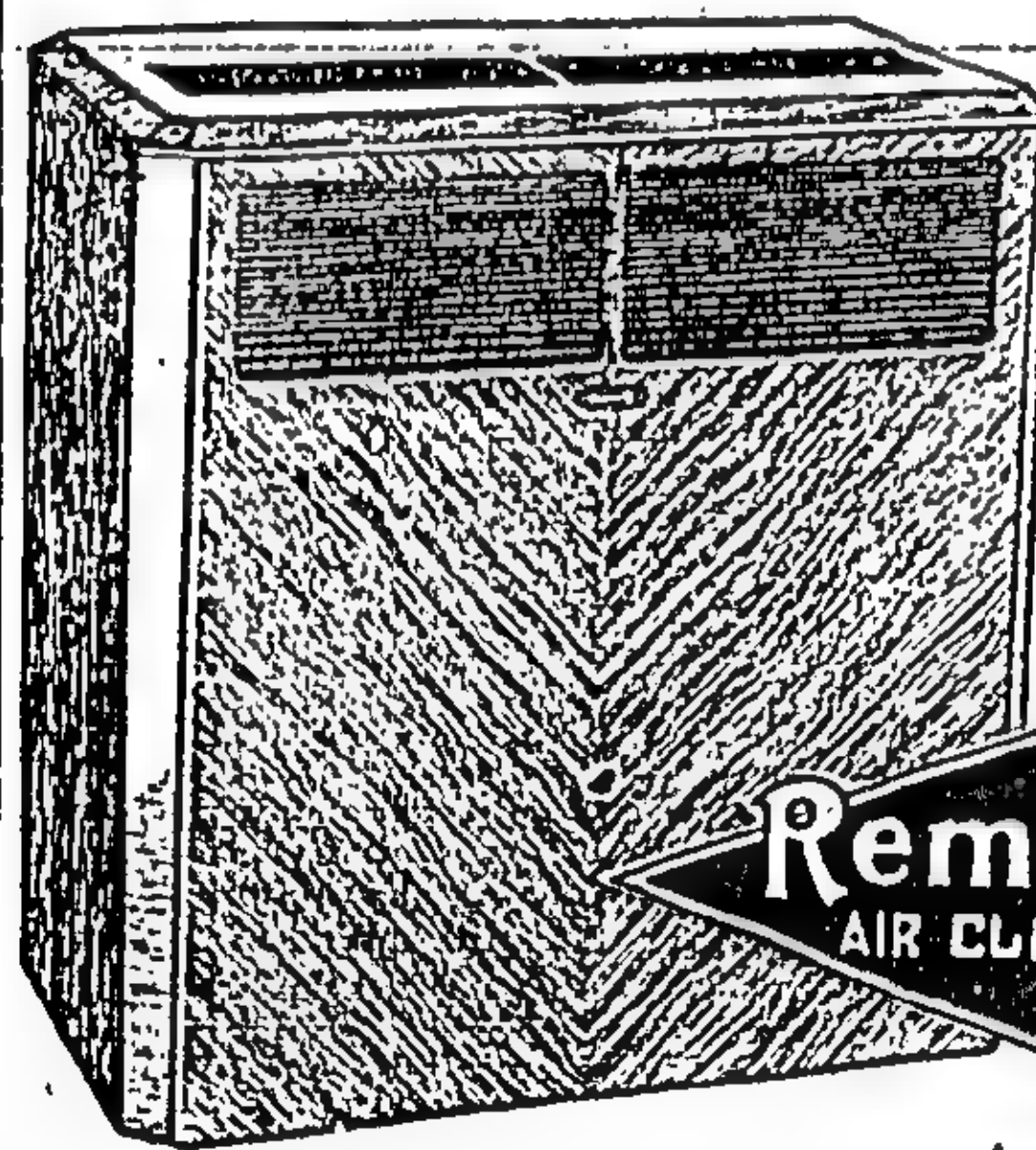
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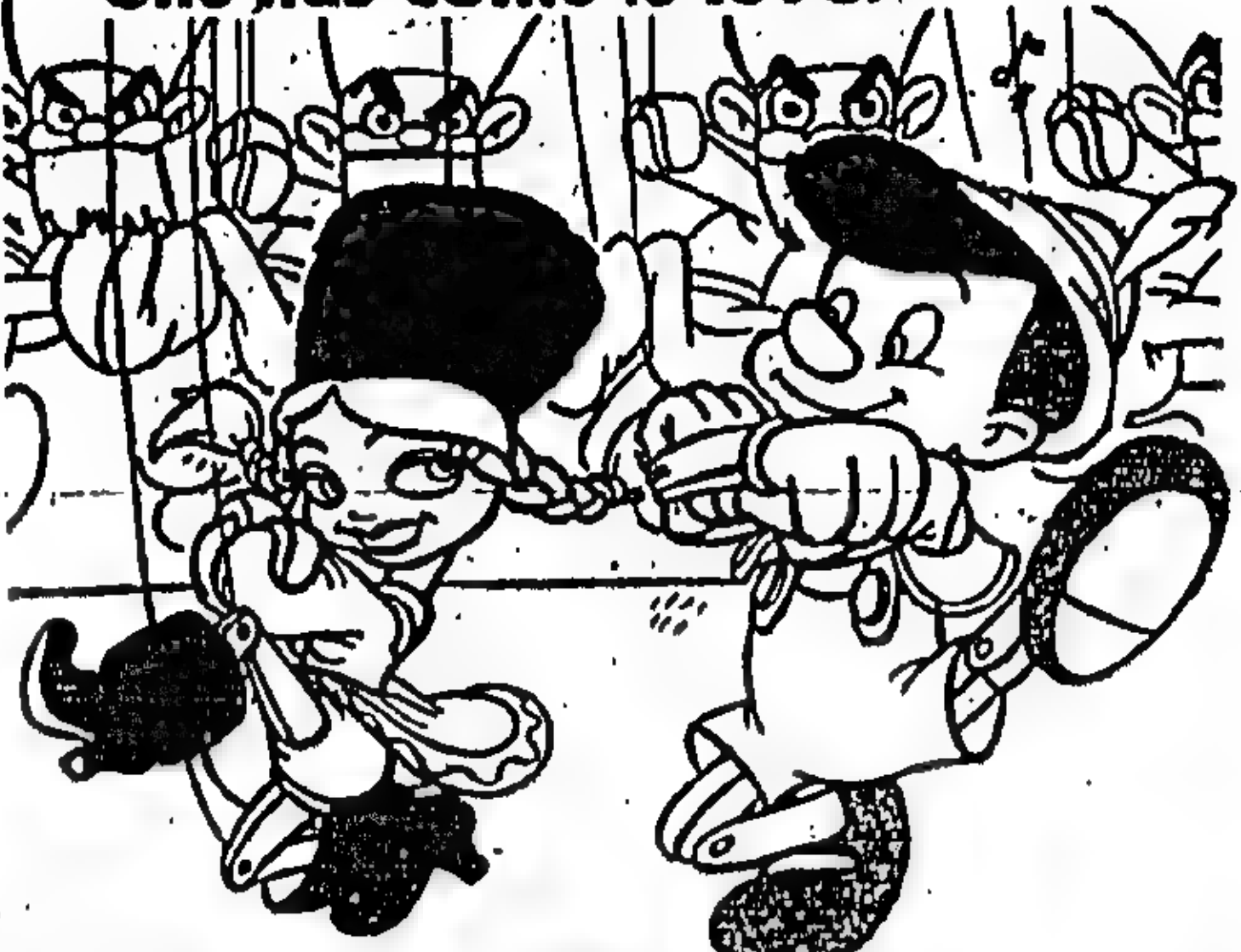
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QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA



Reports by British, French and Polish governments and by Cardinal Hlond of Poland to Pope Pius, of atrocities in Poland seem substantiated by this picture smuggled out of country. Caption states that when Nazis entered Warsaw they hanged several citizens and paraded their bodies through streets as a warning. German officer at left.

NAZI OFFER TO PRINCE

Declined From Prison

COPENHAGEN.—Prince Zdzislaw Lubonirski, who has been detained in a Warsaw prison since the German occupation of Western Poland, has been offered the "Regency" of the Nazi-occupied Poland by the Nazis. He has, it is understood, unconditionally refused it.

Prince Lubonirski was Regent of provisional Poland immediately after the last war and before the Polish Constitution was finally adopted.

When Mr. Eden made his European tour as Foreign Secretary in April, 1938, Prince Lubonirski welcomed him on behalf of the Polish Government at the frontier on his arrival from Moscow and escorted him in the train to Warsaw.

MILLGIRL RISKED ALL FOR BRITAIN

"OUR soldier in skirts" Kid-derminster proudly calls newly-married Mrs. Malsie Hodgkins. And for good reason.

This twenty-one-year-old factory girl has been congratulated by Mr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply, for the courage she showed when the six-mile road between her home and the woollen mill where she worked was blocked by snow.

Knowing that the firm had undertaken a big contract for supplying Army blankets for soldiers in France, Malsie battled through the snowdrifts for seven successive days to report for duty at her loom.

With an extra overcoat for protection she trudged the twelve miles to and from the factory, sometimes having to fight her way through drifts six feet deep.

A few days ago Malsie married. Just after the wedding she received the letter from Mr. Burgin. It told her that England was proud of her.

Mr. Burgin wrote:—"I am very glad to hear of the spirit you showed in the recent Siberian winter, and would like you to know how much those of us who are endeavouring to procure supplies for the country appreciate conduct of this kind and such an attitude to life."

When Mr. Geoffrey Tomkinson, a principal of Tomkinson, Ltd., of Kidderminster, heard of her journey, he came to congratulate her.

"We are proud of you," he said, "but you must not do it again. It's too much for a young girl."

Malsie told the press:—"I just felt I had to do it. I knew that the blankets I was making were badly needed by the boys at the front. I was cold, but I thought they would be colder."

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By KEMP STARRETT

Rainy Sunday



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SOME FRIENDS AT THE STATION IN THE
BUS YOU'VE JUST WASHED AND POLISHED.

SOME MEN GET SO
DESPERATE FOR SOMETHING
TO DO ON A RAINY SUNDAY THEY
EVEN TRY TO BRING SOME SORT
OF ORDER TO THE PANTRY.

CHEER UP!
EVEN IF YOU CAN'T
PLAY GOLF TODAY.
REMEMBER, APRIL
SHOWERS BRING
MAY FLOWERS.

IT ALWAYS IMPROVES
A RAINY SUNDAY TO HAVE
SOMEONE AROUND WHO
CAN LOOK ON THE BRIGHT
SIDE OF THINGS.

OTHER FOLK THINK THE THING TO DO IS
TO PULL DOWN THE SHADES, TURN ON
THE LIGHTS AND PRETEND IT'S NIGHT
AND TIME FOR STIMULANTS.

THE LADS ARE BOUND TO
GET AS EACH OTHERS AND
LITERALLY AND IN YOUR
FIGURATIVELY.

THERE'S THE LAD WHO THINKS THAT BY
TRAMPING AROUND BARE-FOOT
THROUGH THE TREE IDENTIFICATION HE CAN
COAX FORTH A LUXURANT CROP OF
CURLY LOCKS.



Mrs. G. B. Chapman

The Animals Went Out One By One MR. TINGAY SELLS UP THE WHOLE CIRCUS

KANGAROOS £4 EACH

By REGINALD FOSTER

CHESHUNT, Hertfordshire

"WHAT?" said the auctioneer from his lion-cage rostrum, "£12 for half-a-dozen kangaroos. It's cheaper than turkeys."

The kangaroos went for £24, and auctioneer Frederick A. Tingay turned to the elephants. He was selling "Chapman's Circus." But to Mrs. G. B. Chapman, whose husband died five years ago, it was like selling a home, with wild beasts in the place of furniture.

The sale was at the Cheshunt farm, which has been the circus headquarters, and purchasers could inspect their fancy before bidding.

"We'd never have sold except for the war. But food and transport difficulties have made it impossible to carry on," Mrs. Chapman said to me.

So she saw her home sold—to circus and zoo people from all over the country.

Nearly 1,000 people crowded in the farmyard at this strange auction. Mrs. Chapman knew many of them. "There's Miss Ruby Wining. You know her playing ponies?"

Stay in Family

"And there's the Fossetts and Chipperfields, famous circus families, oh yes, and the Baker boys from Bournemouth. And someone from Cheshington Zoo. And there's Sir Garrard Tyrwhitt-Drake. The Bengal tigers roared and Mr. Tingay spoke. "Your kind attention, unique opportunity... finest animals in the country."

We reached the two large performing elephants. "Worth £250 apiece," said Mr. Tingay. "I'm offered £180 for the two. They cost more than that to train."

"You don't want elephants or you'd have jumped at the chance. Well, if you don't want them, £150."

They were bought by Miss Ada Chapman, Mrs. Chapman's aunt, who is still running a circus.

"I didn't want to see those two go out of the family," she said.

£145 For Baby

A baby elephant ("it's got its life before it") fetched £145—best price of the day.

"They sold the tigers with the cages" to save you the trouble of leading them home.

Two tigers fetched £25, a hyena was cheap at £4, and three penguins were knocked down for ten guineas, after a slight misunderstanding about the person who had made the successful bid.

The lions were not sold, as the bidding was not enough. Gradually Mrs. Chapman's "home" went—the peacocks and the wolves, the bears and the geese, the emu and a score of other animals.

The wagons were sold, the big top tent and all the fittings.

"No," said Miss Georgia Bruce Chapman, daughter of Mrs. G. B. Chapman, "I don't suppose I shall go into the circus business again."

The Lonely Man

Purchasers made complicated arrangements for the transport of their "lots," because you cannot take a couple of lions home in the car.

Then "Chapman's Farm" became silent. The loneliest man left behind was Captain Charles Farber, manager of the winter quarters, who has been with circuses 30 years.

"Mrs. Chapman is quite right," he said mournfully. "It is like seeing the old home go."

"What will I do? Oh, I shall carry on with animals somewhere."

CENOTAPH 'ORIGINAL' FOR SALE

SIR EDWIN LUTYENS, seventy-one-year-old president of the Royal Academy, carried a picture roughly wrapped in brown paper into the £4,000-a-year Park Lane, W., flat occupied by the British Red Cross sales committee.

"This might raise a pound or two," he said, and went out.

The picture was his original coloured design for the Cenotaph, and an Australian organisation here has already said that it may bid up to 5,000 guineas for the drawing at Christie's.

Recently a woman from Scotland walked in and gave two diamond and platinum rings, worth probably £500.

SPEE OFFICERS ESCAPE

ELEVEN MORE OFFICERS of the scuffed German battleship Graf Spee have escaped from Buenos Aires. As a result, the Argentine Government confined the remainder in a transport.

GERMAN TROOPS IN OSLO



THE GERMAN INVASION OF NORWAY.—Troops entering Oslo harbour in a tender.

STAFF MAN VISITS BRITISH H.Q.

Nazi Woman Spy Betrayed By Her Hurry



Commander J. E. Jacobson, a Norwegian Naval staff officer on a visit to London.

EFFORTS of the Gestapo to smuggle women agents into England in the guise of refugees are being detected and checked by Scotland-yard's Special Branch.

One woman claiming Czech nationality, who recently arrived from Germany, has been interned. The activities of two others are being watched.

The first woman attracted suspicion when it was seen she had a considerable sum of money. She confirmed the Yard's doubts by being in too much of a hurry to get permission to live near an R.A.F. centre.

Many other would-be German agents have made this mistake. They have been over-anxious to get employment near military camps, naval ports or railway termini where there are more than average possibilities of collecting information.

Now Tribunal

It is likely that a special tribunal will be set up to judge the cases of doubtful Czech and Polish refugees.

Meanwhile the Home Office is continuing its preparations to review the whole question of aliens at liberty. The new regional tribunals will begin operations within a fortnight.

The review of the position which the Home Office has already made has given rise to the impression that the original tribunals took too literally the hint that "we are at war with the German Government, not with the German people."

GENTS IN ENGLAND PREFER WIDOWS

THE likelihood of a widower marrying is greater in each age-group than that of a bachelor. A widow's marriage prospects are greater than those of a spinster except in the age-group twenty-five—thirty-five.

That is the view of the Registrar-General. The City of London's marriage rate is nearly six times as high as the average for England and Wales, and the Registrar-General concludes in his report that many persons who usually

The number of divorces in 1937 was 4,888—a new high record. It was eight or nine times as large as those for the years 1901 to 1910. The number of divorced persons who remarried—9,988—was also a record, being 8 per cent. higher than in 1935.

An investigation into the social class of the husbands of women with whom a child under one year of age was enumerated in the 1931 census, showed that much the lowest percentage was in Class I, the professional and generally well-to-do section of the population.

Rural Babies' Healthier Each subsequent class showed an increase, the highest being the fifth class, which comprised labourers and other unskilled callings.

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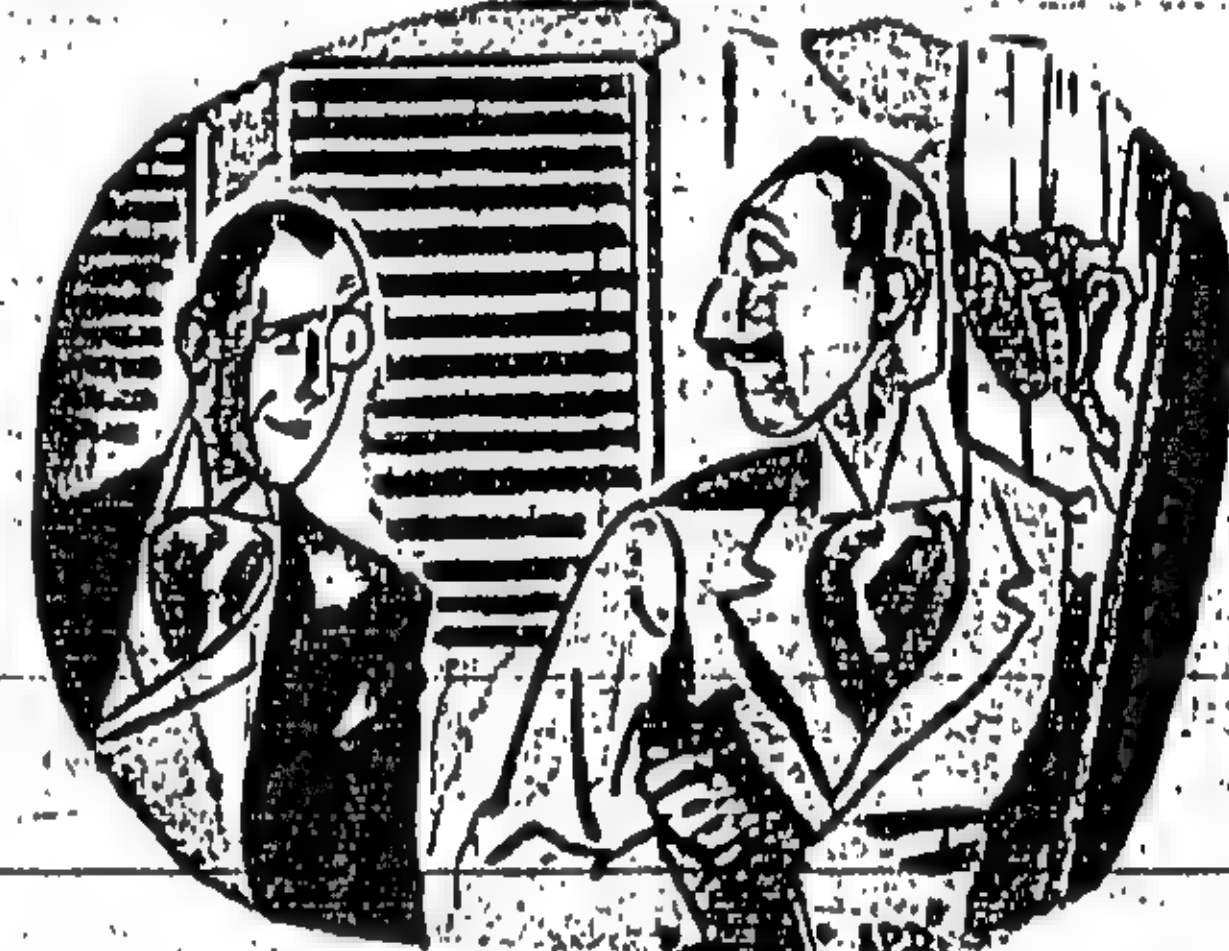


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Lord Tweedsmuir

Signed By Cook and Butler

THE will of the late Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, bearing the signatures of his butler, cook and housemaid as witnesses, has been lodged in the Register House, Edinburgh.

It was signed "John Buchan" at Ardara, Craignure, Island of Mull, on July 31, 1927.

Lord Tweedsmuir, who described himself as "John Buchan, of Elsiefield Manor, Oxford, and Parkside Works, Edinburgh" (the works of Nelsons, the publishers), made only one public bequest.

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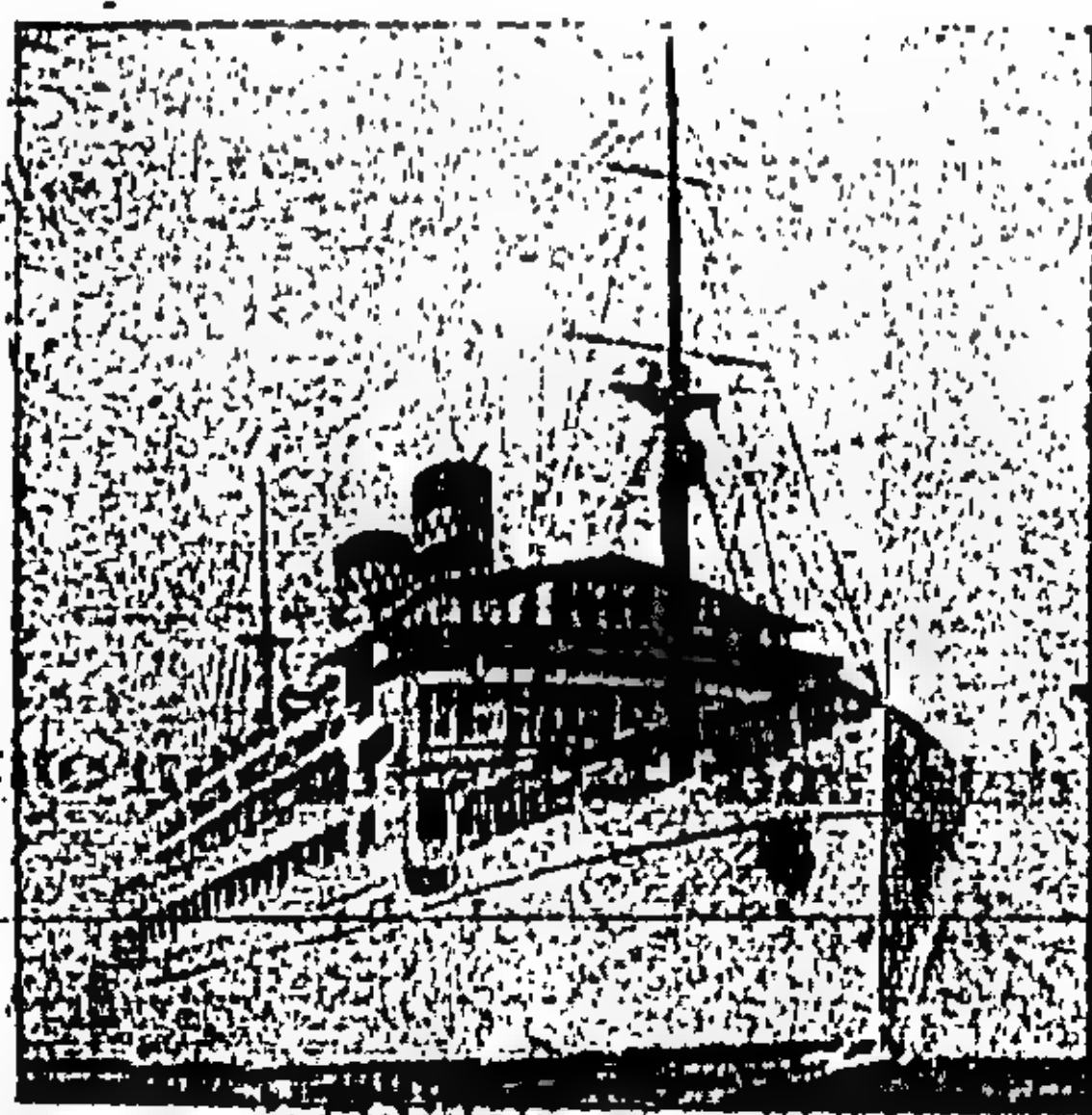
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CURRENT COMMENT . . . By Scrutineer

THIS has been, and still is the most critical period in British history, for on the plains of Belgium is being decided in deadly struggle, with the most efficient weapons of destruction ever devised the fate of democracy and the fate of totalitarianism.

But why is it that the initial success has gone to the enemy? Several questions are being asked—simple questions which occur to the man in the street, both French and British. Among them are to be found these:

Having made the Maginot Line impregnable and thereby frightened off the Germans from that front, why was it not extended so as to enclose the whole of the land frontiers of France? Was it not practically certain that the Germans would attack at almost any place except the Maginot Line?

The Germans put 400,000 men on to build the Siegfried Line in May 1938. Why did the French not extend their fortified system to the coast and so produce a fortified zone from which they could advance into Belgium and upon which they could retire after which the Germans could have hurled themselves in vain against it?

One suggestion is that the deliberative left this side more or less open. They wished to have it "or open warfare where they could manoeuvre?"

Then how did it come about that three to four thousand tanks were assembled—practically the whole of the German equipment in this arm—without that fact being known and prepared against? Then those bridges over which the tanks had to come. Why were they not mined and blown up either before the tank advanced or while they were on the bridge? The French Prime Minister has dealt with these questions very frankly and very fully.

German Advantage

The Germans had the advantage of the initiative. For them it was simply a question which territory they would invade.

They might have smashed through Switzerland, but they chose Holland and Belgium. Instead, neutrality, treaties, international law and the common decency of life are not in the vocabulary of Hitler and his confederates.

But the neutrals must have foreseen this. The destruction of their shipping was merely a prelude to the destruction of the neutral nation itself. It was in logical sequence, and in keeping with the German policy. There are no rights in the world, when German policy is thwarted.

There was no preliminary quarrel. Until the plan already long prepared had been put into operation. The only thing that is missing from the present and latest example of Germany's treachery is Ribbentrop's discovery of incriminating documents. That discovery will probably come along in due course after the evidence has been forged.

The clash of these titanic forces, the speed at which the battle rages, the growing impotence of the individual soldier, and the colossal power of the gun, the plane and the tank, these things are a testimony to the ingenuity man displays when he really studies the problem of how to kill the greatest numbers of the enemy in the shortest possible time.

What tremendous courage is needed for this work in the plane overhead, as well as on the ground below. There is no glamour now, no shining armour, no flashing sword, no exhilarating rush on horseback with yelling comrades as they gallop towards the enemy. There is nothing thrilling in modern warfare. It is all grim, stark tragedy, unrelieved horror, with devastation and death spread a hundred times wider than ever before. We do not hear of gas attacks however. It does not seem to be of much use in the present campaign, for the movement is so rapid.

The Allies seem to have withstood the first shock, but the position is still perilous. Yet, unless the Germans do succeed in their first break through, they are likely to meet with more and more opposition, for the Allies know exactly what the forces are against them and can quickly bring up the necessary reserves in guns, tanks and aeroplanes to counter the attack.

While the French could not be expected to have their forces just where the Germans had decided to strike, they could quickly concentrate at that point if in the meantime they and their fortifications were strong enough to hold the Germans back. Apparently they were not strong enough, but on the other hand the reinforcements have come and the air force has harried the enemy, so it is possible to hope for better news.

Inferno of Death

In all this what stands out above everything else is the heroism of the men who go through this inferno of death.

Modern war is a supreme test of courage and endurance for the tank, heavy guns, and bombers seem to make the soldier so puny in comparison. Yet the tremendous death dealing power of these weapons is only released by these men, who, at the same time, have to face the terrible ordeal which enemy weapons create.

Those correspondents who talked about this being a war and regarded it as a bit of a down strike, are surely sated now with the horrors and carnage that is occurring every minute.

The curtain has gone up and the grim tragedy they were wanting is being unfolded.

It makes splendid headlines, and thrills those who watch in the detached mood of the spectator—without anything at stake. But the fortunes of everyone are involved in this struggle.

There is not a person in the world whose outlook will remain unaffected by the issue of this war. In volume these battles are on a vaster scale than any in human history.

In consequence likewise the war will alter the social and political life of nations profoundly.

It was refreshing to read that President Roosevelt realises more clearly than anyone in America, more than Col. Lindbergh for instance, that the future of democracy depends on the supply of aeroplanes here and now. It was likewise pleasant to hear his request for prompt delivery was loudly applauded by Congress.

The R.A.F.

The Royal Air Force has written its name indelibly on the skies in Belgium.

Never will anyone in future years look up into the heavens and not recall the fierce and deadly combats staged there day by day. The odds have been much against our airmen. Seldom have they had to encounter less than three times their number, and yet, as in the splendid tradition of the Navy, they have sailed in and never refused battle even though the odds were overwhelming.

Unflinching courage and super-human effort have been called for, because of this disparity in the air; because these have been so readily provided, the situation which has been extremely perilous has, we hope, been saved.

The present Prime Minister alone has no responsibility for this inferiority in aeroplanes numbers because he warned the Government time and time again about the menace that was being prepared in Germany.

Mr. Winston Churchill's maxim for waging war is:

In war resolution.
In total defiance.
In victory magnanimity.
In peace goodwill.

He might have added: "Before war adequate preparation". Germany started this war at the peak of her war effort just as the Allies were really getting into stride. It is only since Munich that Britain's

air arm has really been developed and the time has not been sufficient yet to reach the maximum Empire output, as that point is reached there will be a diminishing gap between the Allied and the German air forces.

In quality, in training and in individual skill and courage, the Royal Air Force has proved amply its superiority. It is important the home front should not fall to back it up.

Imperial Unity

Perhaps the most encouraging news of the present week has been the further unmistakable evidence not only of national unity (for now none is for the party since all are for the state), but of imperial unity, and also crowning all that there is allied unity.

This is merely the outward and visible sign of the inward determination to conquer at all costs. Britain, India, the Dominions, the Colonies, together with the French Empire have laid it down that the alternative to victory is annihilation and as that is hardly possible in face of the tremendous resources available we can rest assured that temporary losses will be balanced by permanent gains in the end.

What of Italy?

The position of Italy in the struggle is still uncertain.

The presentation of the high order to Marshal Goering by the King of Italy seems to contradict the generally accepted view that the King and the Crown Prince are opposed to Mussolini's policy.

It may, however, simply be part of the bargain with Germany to keep the Allies guessing.

The arrival of bombers from the United States by air suggests that Iceland, which the Germans presented to us, may be the midway island for these flights.

The Germans certainly surveyed Iceland before the war with the idea of using it for transatlantic flights. With the summer weather and the longer days the delivery of bombing planes from U.S.A. by this route ought to be continued.

A Nation Conscripted

The law which has just been passed for conscripting the nation and its wealth indicates the serious view which the people at home take of this task.

The movement, however, has long been desired by a considerable section of people, for in this war it is unthinkable that any single person should make a profit, while so many are surrendering the most precious gift of all—life—life itself.

This step will put new heart into the nation, for they now know that the war is now being waged by the people, and for the people.

Last of all there is the welcome announcement by Mr. J. Nehru, the President of Congress in India, that this is no time for civil disobedience. India is interested in the destruction of Nazism, not in its preservation and anything which obstructs from the great effort must not be allowed.

This will do more to bring about Dominion Status for India than anything else, for it shows a great sense of responsibility, as well as a deep loyalty which is all the greater because it is given in a critical hour.

NO RIOTS IN THAI

Shanghai, May 24.
Rajawongse Seni Pramoi, newly-appointed Thai Minister to Washington, denied the reported anti-Chinese demonstrations in Thai, on his arrival here last evening en route to the United States.

"The reports are pure exaggeration and no demonstrations have taken place. There have only been arrests and deportation of criminals and other undesirable," he declared. —Reuter.

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LATE NEWS

Short Shift For These Men Fifth Columnists Rounded Up

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PARIS, May 25 (UP)—German attempts to repeat the fifth column tactics employed in Norway, Denmark, Holland and Belgium appear to-day to have completely failed.

Throughout France, fifth columnists, including the large number of parachute troops who landed early in the campaign, have been completely suppressed without the aid of any French troops from the main armies, which are devoting their entire force to closing the pocket around the main German armies.

On the roads leading to Paris from Normandy, down which refugees continued their flight from the war areas to-day, numerous small groups of fifth columnists in civilian clothes were being marched off by French soldiers with bayonets fixed to their rifles.

The fate of these German agents was fixed a long time ago by M. Daladier's decree providing a firing squad for any columnists or parachutists dropped in civilian clothes or in uniforms other than German.

Fifth columnists have been far less numerous in France than in the Lowlands or Scandinavia, because French restrictions were far more stringent in the first nine months of the war, during which there has been a relentless and endless hunt for spies.

French communists and Belgian and Dutch traitors comprise the bulk of the fifth column encountered in France. The columnists apparently had a rendezvous with the Panzer (motorised) divisions, but the rapidly with which the French authorities acted prevented them from keeping it.

One of the activities of the fifth column was to mark the main objectives for German bombers. This was done by surreptitiously releasing balloons above the objectives as the German bombers were passing overhead.

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compared with \$182,000,000 (\$211,200,000) in the corresponding period of 1939. Exports for this year's first four months amounted to \$211,200,000 (\$213,000,000) as compared with \$170,100,000 (\$210,500,000).

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U.S. May Aid Allies

Revolutionary Bill In U.S. Senate

WASHINGTON, May 24 (Reuters).—Declaring that Germany had violated the Kellogg-Brandt Pact, Senator Claude Pepper introduced a resolution in the Senate to-day to authorize President Roosevelt to give aid short of war to the Allies.

Such aid, said Senator Pepper, would include the sale of United States aircraft, ships, artillery and other war supplies to Britain, France, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Belgium and such other countries as may be the subject of unprovoked military aggression by Germany in violation of the Kellogg Pact or rules of International Law.

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Battle of the 'bulge' intensifies

By MILES HANDLER
(UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, May 24, (8 p.m.)—A high military source here has denied the German claim to the capture of Calais and Boulogne.

He said the situation at Calais is favourable and that the Germans have not entered the city.

The Allied forces inside Boulogne are still holding out and the combats are still limited to the outskirts.

To-night's official French communique said the French have launched a successful counter-attack south of Sedan.

25-MILE BOTTLENECK

Massed French infantry slashed at both sides of the 25-mile bottleneck north of the Somme, through which the German troops are pouring towards the Channel.

The battle rages hottest at Amiens and along the Scheldt River on the north side where the French claimed to "have begun their advance."

IF THE BOTTLE-NECK IS CLOSED THE GERMAN ADVANCE TROOPS IN BOULOGNE AND CALAIS WILL BE ANNIHILATED, THE COMMUNIQUE CLAIMS.

A military source said very heavy fighting continued all day in the Valenciennes and Cambrai sector, where strong attacks and bitter counter-attacks alternated.

NAZIS ISOLATED

NEW YORK, May 24 (Reuter).—Five thousand German troops belonging to mechanised units are reported to be isolated in Amiens, according to a broadcast by the National Broadcasting Company's Paris representative.

WHY THEY WILL LOSE

S. African Premier On Psychological Defects

JOHANNESBURG, May 24 (Reuter).—General Jan Smuts, the South African Premier, speaking at a civic banquet in honour of his 70th birthday, uttered a warning that the Government would deal with "Fifth Columnists".

General Smuts also referred to South Africa's fine response to the call for volunteers.

He declared that the world would be much poorer at the end of the war and there would be unprecedented impoverishment after the most colossal destruction in history.

Psychological Defects

The Germans lost the last war despite their matchless military machine because of psychological defects which remain unchanged and which will once more defeat Germany.

Nazi fanaticism may call forth a no less fierce and determined fanaticism on the other side, and to the moral factor will be added the religious factor.

South Africa will be in the struggle to the full and to the end, said General Smuts.

Trade Talks With Soviet

Now Possibility Envisaged

LONDON, May 24 (Reuter).—The statement in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, that the Government is taking immediate steps to improve relations with the Soviet Union seems to indicate, says "Reuter's", diplomatic correspondent, that the latest Soviet communication is regarded as opening the door towards the possibility of trade talks.

The correspondent says that in these circumstances, there is reason to believe that subject to the agreement of the Soviet Government, the British Government may send Sir Stafford Cripps to Moscow on an exploratory mission to ascertain whether any basis is available for trade negotiations.

His Majesty's Stirring Broadcast To The Empire "ISSUE OF LIFE & DEATH FOR US ALL"—THE KING

LONDON, MAY 24. (REUTER).—HIS MAJESTY THE KING BROADCAST AN EMPIRE DAY MESSAGE TO THE NATION TO-NIGHT. "A YEAR AGO," HE SAID, "I SPOKE TO THE PEOPLES OF THE EMPIRE FROM WINNIPEG IN THE HEART OF CANADA. "WE WERE AT PEACE"

"We were at peace. "On that Empire Day, I spoke of the ideals of freedom, justice and peace upon which our Commonwealth of free peoples is founded.

"Clouds were gathering, but I held fast to the hope that those ideals might yet achieve a fuller and richer development without suffering the grievous onslaught of war.

"But it was not to be. "The evil which we strove unceasingly and with all honesty of purpose to avert, fell upon us. OUR CONSCIENCE IS CLEAR

"In this our conscience is clear. "For there is now revealed without possibility of mistake a long planned scheme to subjugate by force the nations of the world against which all our efforts for peace were doomed to break.

"A decisive struggle is now upon us. PLAIN SPEAKING

"I am going to speak plainly to you in this hour of trial.

"I know you would not have me do otherwise. "Let no one be mistaken: it is no mere territorial conquest our enemies are seeking.

"It is the overthrow, complete and final, of this Empire and of everything for which it stands, and after that the conquest of the world.

"And if their will prevails they will bring to its accomplishment all the hatred and cruelty which they already display.

LIFE OR DEATH ISSUE

"It is not easy for us as to believe that designs so evil could find a place in the human mind.

"But the time for doubt is long past.

"To all of us in this Empire, to all men with vision and goodwill throughout the world, the issue is now plain.

"It is an issue of life or death for us all.

"Defeat will not mean some brief eclipse from which we shall emerge with strength renewed—it will mean the destruction of our world as we have known it and a descent into darkness upon its ruins.

"I speak to you to-day with new visions of this Empire before my eyes.

"That it has come into conflict and sharp comparison with the evil system which is attempting its destruction its full significance appears in a brighter and more certain light.

"There is a word which our enemies used against us—imperialism. "By that, they mean a spirit of domination and lust for conquest.

Cast The Word Back

"We are free peoples of the Empire. Cast that word back in their teeth. "It is they who have these evil aspirations.

"Our one object has always been peace upon which our institutions may be developed; the condition of our peoples improved and the problems of Government solved in a spirit of goodwill.

"This is the peace which they have taken from us and they are seeking to destroy all that we have striven to maintain.

"Against our honesty is dishonesty, against our faithfulness is self-treachery, against our justice, is brute force.

"There is clear and unmistakable opposition, lie the forces that now confront one another.

"The uprising of peoples throughout the Empire shows without doubt which will prevail.

"They have risen in just wrath against the things which they detest and despise. "The resolution can shake their confidence undimmed.

"In perfect unity of purpose they will defend their lives and all that makes life worth living. "Let no one think that my confidence is dimmed when I tell you how perilous is the ordeal which we are facing.

"On the contrary it shines in my heart as brightly as it shines in yours. "But confidence alone is not enough.

"It must be armed with courage and resolution, with endurance and self-sacrifice. "There are the high qualities that the men of the Homeland and the men from overseas in an unending

Hell Is Let Loose From The Air

R.A.F. CARRY OUT MERCILESS RAIDS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 24 (UP).—The Royal Air Force continued their unrelenting attacks against German columns on the Western Front to-day.

Nazi concentrations in the Arras and Boulogne districts were mercilessly bombed, says an Air Ministry communique.

Last night R.A.F. units made strong sorties on the enemy's lines of communication in north-east France, southern Belgium and the Rhineland.

Hits were registered on the railway junctions at La Chapelle, Beaumont and Gamboux. Rolling stock and transport columns were set afire, and many explosions occurred.

Other bombers attacked Charleroi where they scored direct hits.

80 Nazi Planes Down
No less than 80 Nazi planes were brought down or seriously damaged in the numerous raids with the R.A.F. carried out during to-day.

Ten British planes are reported to be missing.

Eleven fighting British planes over the French coast this afternoon brought down eleven Messerschmitts and seriously damaged three more, stated the Air Ministry communique.

Repeated Bombing Attacks
LONDON, May 24 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that intense air activity, on an increased scale continued yesterday last night and to-day over the fighting fronts in France and Belgium.

Repeated day bombing attacks were made by R.A.F. bombers on enemy columns in the neighbourhood of Arras and Boulogne.

Strong sorties were made during the night on the enemy lines of communication in north-east France. Among the targets hit by the heavy bombers were military objectives at Baval and Hirson, where fires were started.

Hits were also obtained on the railway junction at La Chapelle. At Clivet, on the Meuse, a marshalling yard and a large column of transport were severely damaged.

The railway junction at Beaumont was hit and the rolling stock set on fire.

The junction at Gembloux was also successfully attacked and an explosion was seen among the convoy of lorries nearby.

After the bombing at Charleroi another explosion occurred.

Heavy bombers attacked the enemy communications at Emmerich, Cologne, Coblenz and elsewhere.

Six Fail To Return
From these widespread operations six aircraft failed to return.

The fighters continue to win spectacular victories against the enemy.

From reports received they have shot down or seriously damaged at least 80 enemy aircraft since yesterday morning.

Ten fighters are missing but some pilots are expected to return.

At least 500 aircraft have been lost by the enemy in France and Belgium during the last week, making the total over 1,500 enemy aircraft lost since the invasion of the Low Countries.

ABBEVILLE CARNAGE

Wholesale Slaughter By Nazi Bombers

LONDON, May 24 (Reuter).—Abbeville, where the German advance turned northward towards the Channel ports, was bombed to pieces by the German air force, before their troops seized the town, according to a Red Cross man who has just left northern France.

"The last time I saw it was one vast desolation of smoking ruins with the shattered streets strewn with dead and dying women and children.

"The Germans bombed it apparently without thought of military objectives dropping high explosive incendiary bombs and incendiary darts which shoot about like jumping crickets."

Mines Cleared

CAPE TOWN, May 24 (Reuter).—The Defence authorities announce that the measures taken to clear the mines mined on Cape Peninsula were successful and that no damage was done to a single ship.

ITALIAN SITUATION

OMINOUS ORDERS

Italian Shipping To Remain In Port

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 24 (UP).—Diplomatic circles in London are taking an increasingly serious view regarding the possibility of Italy entering the war.

The despatch of Sir Samuel Hoare as Ambassador to Madrid is believed to be designed to check any similar trend in Spain.

Private advice received in New York state that Mr. Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, has exchanged messages with Signor Mussolini in an attempt to clarify Italy's attitude.

A message from Rome states that the Italian Line confirms that the luxury liner Rex, which was scheduled to leave for New York on May 29, has postponed the date of her departure until June 12.

The Conte Savoia, which was scheduled to leave for New York on June 12, has postponed the date of departure until June 23.

The sailing of the Augustus for New York has been postponed indefinitely.

The Neptunia, which was scheduled to leave for Central American ports on May 24, will not now leave until June 21.

Italy Celebrates An Anniversary
ROME, May 24 (Reuter).—Italy's celebrations of the anniversary of her entrance into the Great War passed off soberly.

There were no boisterous demonstrations in the streets of the cities.

It might have been called rather "anti-Italy Day" than "pro-German Day."

All the newspapers avoided recalling that to-day's ally was then the enemy by stating that Italy went to war with the Hapsburg Empire.

The "betrayal" by her former allies is the note of the leading articles which all proclaim that the war of reckoning has struck for the "plutocrats in their dotage."

Concessions Rejected
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, May 24 (Domel).—High Fascist party members to-day intimated that the Allies had recently made some concessions to Italy in order to prevent Italian entry into the war as allies of Germany, but that Duce had rejected the offers as unsatisfactory, and on the ground that they had come too late.

According to these sources, the concessions are to the effect that France will admit the special interests of Italy in Asia, and will make Djibouti a free port to facilitate Italian shipping.

Great Britain, they stated, had withdrawn the Allied blockade in the Mediterranean and was ready to supply necessary raw materials to Italy.

A Day Of Prayer
"At this fateful hour we turn as our fathers before us have turned in all times of trial to God the Most High.

"Here in the Old Country I have asked that next Sunday should be observed as a day of national prayer.

"It may be possible for many of our brethren across the seas to join their prayers with ours.

"Let us with one heart and soul humbly but confidently commit our cause to God and ask His aid that we may valiantly defend the right as it is given to us to see it.

"So now to the peoples of the Empire, men and women in all quarters of the globe, I say to you: put into your task, whatever it may be, all the courage and purpose of which you are capable. Keep your hearts proud and your resolve unshaken.

"Let us go forward to that task as one man, with a smile on our lips and our heads held high and with God's help we shall not fail."

America Listens In

WASHINGTON, May 24 (Reuter).—American radio stations this evening cleared the air of programmes in order to broadcast His Majesty the King's Empire Day message.

The speech was very clearly heard throughout the United States.

FIRST PICTURES FROM WAR-STRICKEN FRANCE

LETTERS

Erbert Igge And
The Fift Column

To The Editor,
The "Hongkong Telegraph."
Dear mister editor, a bloke was
askin me the uvver day why a dont
see no bollum in the hongkong telegraf
eny more.

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collum corlayaduck wot a blakkin
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about ole argus sittin on a perch and
robby macquillier chewin agles and
littie ole vinegar wot riles about
pickels

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grips

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about it the uvver nite an she larted
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ole all cum ome the uvver nite wiv a
black eye becos a got mixed up wiv
a collum outside ole duffels place

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ter be doing their bit in sack sum
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hongkong in this ore coomidly an all
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sumone dash orl ter the bank ter
plonk the dough in and then dash ome
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see an arke ter find out they knows
wots wot wen it cum ter fight wars
I spose they must nve ad experience
in the spot of bother about 1914

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sposk'ing id a lot ov these ore shares
an fings

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as ter pack up playin bridge an fings
becos the govmnt makes em go in
fer war work

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blinkin war an go in fer keepin rab-
bits

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in hongkong yu can collum wot yu
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silver doller mustnt pass the buck

Rounding Up The Suspects

Britain Guards Against Fifth Columnists

LONDON, May 24 (Reuter).—Further action against fifth columnists and other enemies of the state is being taken.

Two more Fascists are reported to have been arrested in Manchester. The London District Committee of the Communist Party announces that the Home Secretary has prohibited a meeting scheduled for Sunday afternoon at Trafalgar Square.

In Londonderry, 12 men have been arrested. They are believed to be members of the I.R.A. in Belfast.

On Thursday night, 76 I.R.A. suspects were taken into custody.

Fifth Column in Cairo
CAIRO, May 24 (Reuter).—The police here have located a secret radio transmitter which is putting out German propaganda.

Several foreigners have been arrested. Investigations are proceeding.

G-Men Aid in U.S.
WASHINGTON, May 24 (U.P.).—The Department of Justice plans to add 100 more G-men to the 180 already employed in combating the fifth column in the United States.

50,000 PILOTS
A YEAR
WASHINGTON, May 24 (Reuter).—Plans to give basic training of pilots to 50,000 men in the year beginning July 1 were disclosed by President Roosevelt at a Press conference.

The President added that Congress would be asked for a supplementary appropriation to handle the pilot programme.

Men taking the course will be drawn from schools, colleges and many citizens holding pilot licences, and from men between the ages of 18 and 45 who are not in college but who desire training in aviation.

HONOURS LIST PUBLICATION

LONDON, May 24 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the publication of the Honours List, which would in the ordinary course have taken place on the day appointed for the presentation of honours (June 23), is necessarily postponed for a few weeks owing to the change in administration.



NANCY, one of the first French towns to feel the scourge of the Nazi air bombers, was practically reduced to ruins. In this picture, rushed to Hongkong by air mail, we see French soldiers and civilians clearing debris after a fierce aerial attack on the town.



PRISONER OF WAR.—Official figures reveal that hundreds of German planes have been brought down by the Allies during the "Blitzkrieg" against France. In some cases the pilots are fortunate enough to escape with their lives, as in this picture, which shows a young Nazi pilot captured by French troops after he had been forced to land. Another air mail picture received in Hongkong this morning.



MEANING OF WAR.—Here we have two pictures which vividly illustrate the meaning of war. Above, what was once a thriving little French town, now a desolate scene, while below, a Nazi bomber, a mass of wreckage, after it had been brought down by Allied anti-aircraft guns on the French front. These two pictures were also received in Hongkong by air mail to-day.

